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ALLIED WAR
COUNCIL
SEE PAGE 4

London, To-day.

GERMAN AIRCRAFT were busy over Britain and France yesterday. They dropped nothing heavier than paper and reels of cotton!

The air-raid alarm was sounded in south Lancashire, Cheshire and north Wales when a German plane, believed to be a Heinkel reconnaissance machine, was sighted by the Observer Corps. Shell, from heavy anti-aircraft fire burst around it and it flew off towards the Irish Sea.

Anti-aircraft guns also went into action near Manchester and the Mersey, where British fighters went up to drive off enemy aircraft.

Heavy anti-aircraft fire also occurred in the Shetlands and shell splinters fell over a wide area.

Reports from Paris state that the air-raid alarms were sounded in Eastern France, particularly at Lyons and Lille. The German planes in this area dropped cotton as a change from what Mr. A. P. Herbert calls "bombphlets."

NOT IMPREGNATED

The planes were flying high and several tons of cotton were scattered over a wide area by the wind. The cotton seems to have been harmless and not impregnated with any chemical.

Anti-British "bombphlets" printed in French were dropped over the German-speaking part of Switzerland by German planes. A German bomber flew over Switzerland on Thursday.

From Brussels comes a report that a German plane flying over Ghent met with heavy anti-aircraft fire. Anti-aircraft guns were also in action on Thursday against German planes near Liege.—Reuter.

AIR MINISTRY STATEMENT

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announce that air raid warnings were sounded in South Lancashire, Cheshire and north Wales at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, when an enemy aircraft, apparently a Heinkel reconnaissance plane, was detected.

Anti-aircraft guns went into action at Manchester and Merseyside, where British fighters rose and drove the enemy away.

No bombs were dropped. — Reuter.

FRENCH ALARMS

Paris, To-day.

Air raid alarms were sounded in the south of France yesterday.

The alarm at Lyons lasted from 9.30 a.m. to 11.10 a.m., and at Marseilles from 11.35 a.m. to 12.15 p.m.

A second alarm sounded in the Lyons region at 2.15 p.m. and anti-aircraft fire was heard in the distance. — Reuter.

OVER UPPER SAVOY

Paris, To-day.

A German plane flew over the Annemasse region of Upper Savoy during the day.—Reuter.

SWITZERLAND TOO

Berne, To-day.

Foreign planes have been observed over several parts of Switzerland, according to a communique.

Pamphlets containing accusations against Britain, and written in French, were dropped by the planes.—Reuter.

HITLER STILL PLAYING FOR TIME

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

Commenting on the German rejection of the Belgo-Dutch mediation offer, Pertinax, writing in the newspaper "l'Orre," points out that Hitler was previously due to send a personal message to the sovereigns of Belgium and Holland and that his message would be kept a secret.

"All these delays and detours mean that Hitler is striving to gain time hoping that the Western Powers will accept his false accomplishment."

"Apparently he tried to draw Mussolini into his peace offensive but he gave up any hope when he read Mussolini's speech two days ago."

Madame Tabouis, writing in l'Oeuvre, says: "The Fuehrer's curious manoeuvre proves once again the paralysed state of Germany's will and the incapacity of German leaders to make a definite decision either military, political or diplomatic."—Havas.

DEATH SENTENCES FOR PURLOINING

Munich, To-day.

Two youths have been sentenced to death for plundering a butcher's cupboard.—Reuter.

PLANES FIRED ON OVER HOLLAND

Amsterdam, To-day.
Foreign planes flew over the Netherlands coast yesterday. They were driven off by Netherlands planes and heavy anti-aircraft fire.
The planes were going in a westerly direction.—Reuter.

ITALY AGAIN INTERVENES

London, To-day.

It is learned from Brussels, says Radio Paris, that Italy and Spain have informed the German Government through the normal diplomatic channels that they are interested in the territorial integrity of the Netherlands and Belgium being respected. — Reuter.

SUPREME WAR COUNCIL

London, To-day.

A communique states that a meeting of the Supreme War Council of the Allies was held in London at 11.15 yesterday morning.

The meeting was attended by M. Edouard Daladier (French Premier), General Gamelin (Allied Commander-in-Chief), Admiral Darlan (French Navy chief), General Vuillemin (French air chief), Mr. Neville Chamberlain (British Premier), Lord Halifax (Foreign Secretary), Lord Chatfield (Defence Co-ordination Minister) and Sir Kingsley Wood (Air Minister).

The Council reviewed the military situation and possible further developments.

Complete agreement was reached on the best method of combined employment of the Franco-British forces for the most effective conduct of operations.—Reuter.

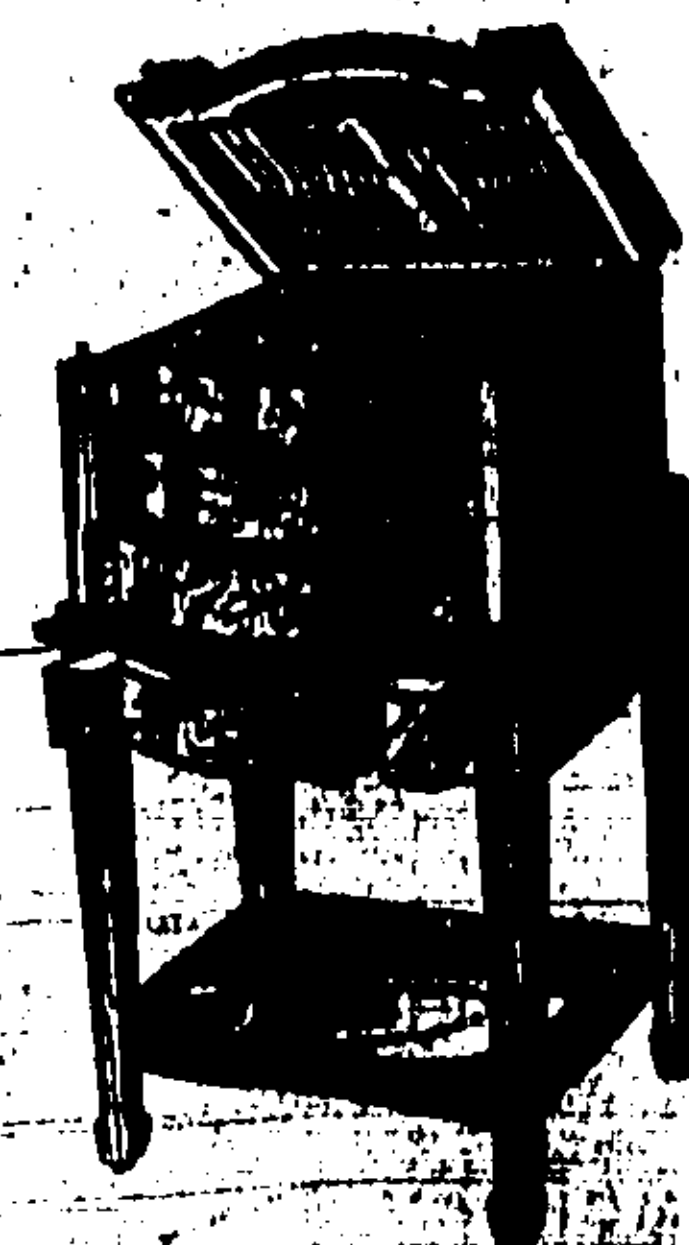
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INSIDE GERMANY

London, October 18.
From Cavalcade's own Berlin news it is learned that there is no sign of war-weariness in Germany yet, few indications of an active spirit of revolt among the masses.

Facts show economic stress and considerable industrial shortages.

The railways are in bad shape. In the Lehrter station 102 waggons cannot be completed because of a shortage of brakes. Production of railway trucks shows a deficiency of 13,812.

SUSPECTED SABOTAGE

Deutschen Waffler Werke (German Arms Works), in the Hutten Strasse, had to stop production last month for a time owing to lack of electrical current. Sabotage was suspected.

Recently there was a big explosion in the Berlin asphalt works, in which eleven people were killed and thirty-eight injured. Many arrests were made.

The petrol depot on the Torfstrassen canal was destroyed by fire on September 19. Again the Gestapo took charge of the inquiry and made arrests.

LOSSES IN POLAND

Hitler's official statistics of German losses in the Polish campaign are not generally accepted by competent Berlin authorities, who talk of 55,000-60,000 killed and 120,000 wounded.

Number of dead on the Western Front to date is fixed at about 3,000, the majority of whom were "Stosstruppen" (shock troops) trained at Zossen, Guestraw, and Jueterbog, before going to the Westwall. — "Cavalcade."

POLISH WOMAN IN OGPU HANDS

The story of how a widowed Polish woman was denounced to the Ogpu, now the Narkomvudel, as a German spy after the Soviet Army's occupation of Poland and escaped by bribing her guard with jewellery is reported in the Paris "Matin."

The woman, says the paper, is one of a few refugees who have reached France after flight across the Rumanian frontier.

She is described as "Madame B" of Stryi, in South-East Poland. The day after the Soviet troops' entry into Stryi she was denounced to the Commissar of the Ogpu as a spy.

It was held against her that she had a German name—her late husband, it is stated, came from a German family who had lived in Poland for over a century—and that she possessed a radio transmitter.

"Madame B" the Commissar is reported to have said to her, "we thank you for having informed our collaborators so well on the movements of our troops."

After nearly a week in custody "Madame B" escaped by bribing the guard with jewels.—Reuter.

"EROS" TO BE EVACUATED

"Eros"—the figure on the Shaftesbury memorial fountain in Piccadilly Circus—is to be removed and stored in a place of safety during the war, the L.C.C. has decided.

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The total of subscriptions received for credit of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Hong Kong and South China Branch, has now passed the \$500,000.

The actual total, as a result of donations received during this week is \$500,150.30.

Substantial contributions by local Chinese guilds and trade associations are included in the latest list.

MEASURE TO CONTROL DESTITUTES

The "Gazette" contains the draft of an Ordinance to amend the Vagrancy Ordinance.

The long title of the Vagrancy Ordinance, 1897, is "An Ordinance to amend the law relating to vagrants."

The Ordinance however deals with "mendicants" as well as "vagrants"; and, as it is now intended to include provisions relating to "destitutes" who do not belong to the Colony and cannot prove that they are or have the status of British subjects, clause 2 of this Bill extends the long title of the Ordinance by the addition of the words "destitutes and mendicants" after the word "vagrants."

Although there is provision in the legislation of this Colony for the deportation of destitute British subjects who do not belong to the Colony, and also for the expulsion of immigrants who enter the Colony in contravention of the Immigration and Passports Ordinance, there is no provision except in the Emergency Regulations providing for the expulsion of those aliens who are not required to have passports or travel papers, who do not belong by birth or residence to the Colony, who pass in freely whenever they desire, who are destitute and unable to find work and who therefore can look only to

HEAVY LOSS TO JUNK PIRATES

A SMALL FORTUNE IN CARGO AND MONEY WAS LOST BY CHAN MA-TSIM, 28, MASTER OF TRADING JUNK NO. T1482H, WHEN HIS JUNK WAS PIRATED HALFWAY BETWEEN SWABUE AND HONG KONG.

The cargo consisted of:
Copper coins, valued at \$1,280;
Pigs, valued at \$550;
Eggs, valued at \$900; and
Wood-oil, valued at \$880.

The incident occurred at 4 p.m. on Thursday when Chan's junk was stopped by a large fishing junk. Armed with revolvers and rifles, the pirates boarded Chan's boat and forced him and his crew into the hold after which they began transferring the cargo to their junk.

At 1 a.m. Chan and his folks managed to smash the hatch, and found that the pirates had sailed off, after cutting the mast.

Twelve hours later, the s.s. Wing Wah, passed by rescued Chan and his crew, and brought them to Hong Kong.

FINED FOR CRUELTY TO GOLDFISH

For cruelty to a goldfish—by going away for a week's holiday and forgetting about it—a man was fined 5s.

The man, Charles Kendrick Holden, twenty-six, a railway shunter, of Whaley-lane, Whaley Bridge, charged at Chapel-en-le-Frith, Derbyshire, was also fined 5s. for cruelty to three canaries and a budgerigar, which had all died from starvation.

The discovery was made by Inspector Hindle, of the R.S.P.C.A., who saw the goldfish through the window of Holden's home, lying in the bottom of a bowl of yellow water.

He forced the bedroom window and entered the house, gave the fish food and fresh water. It had made a remarkable recovery and was now quite healthy.

public funds or private charity for their subsistence.

Convicted alien mendicants can be deported under the Deportation of Aliens Ordinance, but it is considered more suitable in most cases that mendicants should be expelled under the new provisions introduced by this Bill.

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THE LATEST GERMAN FANTASY

London, To-day.

The Germans are now broadcasting the fantastic claim that they have taken Britain's place as the greatest shipbuilding nation and the most important supplier of ships.

Practically every shipyard in Britain is working at capacity, and 150 merchant ships are now being built.

German resources are handicapped by a shortage of labour and raw materials and urgent demands to make good the heavy submarine losses.

German treatment of neutral shipping and the certainty of delays, bad material and workmanship will not encourage neutral orders even if building were possible.—Reuter.

NOVEMBER HANDICAP

London, To-day.

The following are amended probable runners in the Manchester Handicap:

Edgehill (Stephenson); Boro Boudour (Thwaites); Tout Change (Lowrey); Buxton (Carslake); Roanoke (Perryman); Rodeo II (Gethin); San Salvo (Caldwell); Nagor (Mitchell); Beinndearg (Taylor); Hestia II (Beary); Fairfax (Weston); Tutor (E. Smith); Sunbather (Gordon Richards); Aethon (Maher); Cinque Cento or Seventh Wonder (D. Smith); Lister (Nevett); Crown Colony (Littlewood); Lone Mount (Cliff Richards); Southern Port (Evans); Sandon (Mullins); Mim (Lacey); Wayward Miss (Richardson); Royal Avenue (Nicoll).

No jockeys have yet been allocated to the following: Pegomas, Master Bimbo and Woodstock.—Reuter.

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER ON LEAVE

London, To-day.

The Duke of Gloucester arrived here yesterday on two days' leave from the Western Front.

He has been in France for two months as chief liaison officer on the staff of Lord Gort, the British Commander-in-Chief.—Reuter.

JOINT PURCHASE OF SUPPLIES AGREED

London, To-day.

FOLLOWING YESTERDAY'S meeting of the Allied War Council, the British and French Premiers, Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier, issued the following joint statement:—

"With a view to making full use of the experience gained in 1914-18 the British and French Governments decided from the outset of the war to co-ordinate in the fullest possible manner the economic war effort.

"Immediate steps were taken at the outbreak of the war with this object in view.

"In pursuance of the decisions reached by Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier at the last meeting of the Supreme War Council, the arrangements already put into effect by the two Governments have now been strengthened and completed in such a way as to ensure common action in the following field—air, munitions, raw materials, oil, food, shipping and economic warfare.

"The new measures adopted will provide for the best use, in the common interests, of the resources of both countries in raw materials, means of production, tonnage and so forth.

IMPORT PROGRAMMES

"They also provide for equal distribution between them of any limitations should circumstances render necessary a reduction of the programmes of imports.

"The two countries will in future draw up import programmes jointly in order to avoid competition in purchases which they have to make abroad in carrying out those programmes.

"The execution of these tasks has been entrusted to permanent Anglo-French executive committees under an Anglo-French co-ordinating committee, which is being set up immediately.

COORDINATION

"The agreements reached, which can, if required, be extended to other fields, afford further evidence of the determination of the two countries to coordinate their war efforts to the fullest possible extent.

"By this means arrangements have been carried into effect two months after the beginning of hostilities for the organisation of common action by the two countries which was only achieved during the last conflict at the end of that war.—Reuter.

U.S. TRADE SWITCH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day.

The increase in the total value of American exports during October was mainly due to the purchases by South American countries.

These countries are now importing from the United States goods they used to purchase from Europe, stated Mr. Hopkins, Secretary of Commerce.

While sales to Britain, Belgium and Holland diminished, however, exports to France, Canada, Japan, Denmark, Norway and Sweden jumped up.

The United States exported nothing to the Reich.—Havas.

PRAGUE WARNING TO CZECH LEGION

Prague, To-day.

The Prague radio announces that members of the Czech Legion who fought in Poland will be shot if caught or taken as prisoners of war.—Reuter.

U.S. DENIES PROMISES OF AID TO FINLAND

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt, at his daily press conference yesterday, said there was nothing to the stories from Moscow that Finland had stiffened her attitude to Russia after obtaining promises of economic and financial aid from America.

The President added that no such help had been promised.

He recalled that the Finns sought a loan two months ago for some specific purpose, perhaps for a railway, but they were referred to New York banks from which they had a perfect right to seek loans.—Reuter.

TENSION RELAXED

Helsingfors, To-day.

The tension in Finland is slackening. Many of those evacuated from the capital are now returning.—Reuter.

SWISS NOT TO SERVE ABROAD

Zurich, To-day.

Swiss men are forbidden to fight abroad, as a result of an order issued by the Federal Council. Many Swiss have applied to join the belligerent forces and if this was allowed, Switzerland's neutrality would be called in question.—Reuter.

CANADA'S ARMY H.Q.

London, To-day.

Nine of the members of Canadian Military Headquarters in Britain have arrived in London, headed by General H. G. D. Crerar (not to be confused with his namesake who is Canada's representative at the Dominions talks) and Colonel E. L. M. Burnes, military liaison officer.

They are all experts in medical administration, stores, transport, supplies and pay.—Reuter.

PLAN FOR COMBINED OPERATIONS OF ALLIED FORCES

London, To-day.

M. DALADIER, ATTENDED a meeting of the Supreme War Council in London yesterday, accompanied by General Gamelin and other French admirals and generals. The meeting discussed the best methods for the combined operations of the British and French forces.

Mr. Chamberlain attended the meeting and later the two Prime Ministers issued a joint communique which stated that arrangements between the British and French Governments have now reached such a point that common action can be assured in the air, munitions, raw materials, oil, food, shipping and economic warfare.

The best possible use will be made of raw materials, means of production, etc.

They will share equally in any limitations of imports and will avoid competition in purchases from abroad.

A joint Anglo-French Executive Committee under a Co-ordinating Committee will be formed shortly.

The agreements can be extended to other fields. In the first two months of this war they have reached a position only attained after three years of the last one.—Reuter.

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PARADES
1ST BATTERY
Tuesday 21st Nov. 5.30 p.m. H.Q.
All members (B.C. Staff, Gun detachments, L.G. detachment and D.E.L. Section). Detail final arrangements for camp. Dress—mufti.

Friday 24th Nov. 4.00 p.m. H.Q.
for camp. Dress—Jackets, trousers, S.D. caps, boots, webbing belt, braces and pouches, haversacks and water-bottle. Overcoats to be carried over the left arm.

The following articles of uniform etc. will be carried in kit bags:—Spare jackets, trousers, shorts, khaki shirts, putties, overalls and gun platform shoes. Material for cleaning buttons and boots should be carried as well as washing and shaving gear and personal garments.

Kit bags etc. to be at Vol. H.Q. (suitably labelled) by 11 a.m. on Friday 24th Nov. to be conveyed in advance to the Battery position.

2ND BATTERY
Rangetakers' Examination
Monday 20th Nov. Scandal Point.
5.30 p.m.
Classes For Layers, & A.A.L.M.G.
Including D.E.L. Personnel

Monday 20th Nov. Scandal Point.
5.30 p.m. Those detailed with those enrolled since 1st Sept.

BATTERY PARADE
Thursday 23rd Nov. Scandal Point.
5.30 p.m. Bty. drill.
Dress. Overalls and S.D. caps for all parades.

3RD BATTERY
Gun Detachments:
Monday 20th Nov. and Thursday 23rd Nov. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. Dress—Overalls, S.D. caps and G.P. Shoes.

Range-Takers:
Monday 20th Nov. and Thursday 23rd Nov. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. Dress—Overalls, S.D. caps and G.P. Shoes.

Lewis Gun Squad:
Monday 20th Nov. Scandal Point.
5.30 p.m. Parade with 2nd Bty.
Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps.

Thursday 23rd Nov. H.Q. 5.15 p.m.
Parade with 1st Bty. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps.

D.E.L. Personnel:
Monday 20th Nov. Belchers. 5.30 p.m.
Lecture on gunnery. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps.

Telephonists Course:
Monday 20th Nov. Belchers. 5.30 p.m.
Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps.

Layers Course:
Thursday 23rd Nov. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps.

4TH BATTERY
Wednesday 22nd Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. All members deficient in uniform or equipment must report to B.Q.M.S. Delgado.

Friday 24th Nov. to Friday 1st Dec.
Camp at Pakshawan. All members. H.Q. 5.00 p.m. Friday 24th Nov. Dress—S.D. caps, khaki shirt, tunic, trousers, black boots, lanyard, web belt, water-bottle and haversack. Great coats to be carried.

Luggage to be packed in kit bag marked with name and number. These may be sent to H.Q. before 2.00 p.m. Friday 24th Nov. for transportation to camp. The following must be included, web pouches, puttees, platform shoes, overalls, shorts, spare shirt, tunic and trousers, also cleaning mat-

erial for buttons, and boots, washing and shaving gear. It is advisable to bring warm sweaters and those not in possession of volunteer greatcoats may bring civilian overcoats.

Applications for leave must be made before proceeding to camp. It is expected to break camp about 4 p.m. Friday 1st Dec.

5TH BATTERY
Saturday 18th Nov. Queen's Pier.
2.15 p.m. Those detailed.
Sunday 19th Nov. Queen's Pier.
9.15 a.m. Those detailed.

CORPS SIGNALS
Monday 20th Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
(i) Line Section, Signal training. (ii) W. T. Section, Code instruction. (iii) D/Rs. who got riding practice as per roster.

No. 1 Company — No. 1 & 2 Platoons
Sunday 19th Nov. The shoot at Peak Range is cancelled.

Tuesday 21st Nov. No parade.
Friday 24th Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
Parade under Company arrangements.

Sunday 26th Nov. Stonecutters.
Part II. A.M.G.C. Those detailed only.
Launch leaves Queen's Pier 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier 8.40 a.m.

Dress—Mufti, but equipment must be worn when firing. Range Officer—Capt. R. M. Wood.

No. 4 (Troop) Platoon
Friday 24th Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

No. 2 Company
Thursday 23rd Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

No. 5 Company
No parade except as detailed.

No. 6 Company
Friday 24th Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

Proceed to camp.
No. 7 Company
Thursday 23rd Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

Air Arm
Sunday 19th Nov. and Monday 20th Nov. Kai Tak. Compulsory flying for camp.

Pay Section
Friday 24th Nov. Those detailed.

APPOINTMENTS & PROMOTIONS
Bdr. J. Robinson, 5th A.A. Bty. to be B.S.M. 17.11.39.

Gnr. L. Goldman, 5th A.A. Bty. to be Sgt. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. T. A. Pearce 5th A.A. Bty. to be Sgt. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. W. F. Dudman 5th A.A. Bty. to be Bdr. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. W. J. McConnell, 5th A.A. Bty. to be Bdr. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. H. H. Beddow, 5th A.A. Bty. to be Bdr. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. E. L. Taverher, 5th A.A. Bty. to be Bdr. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. W. W. Rae, 5th A.A. Bty. to be Bdr. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. M. S. Banner, 5th A.A. Bty. to be Bdr. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. J. L. C. Pearce, 5th A.A. Bty. to be Bdr. 17.11.39.

Gnr. E. W. Bannister, 5th A.A. Bty. to be L/Bdr. 17.11.39.

Gnr. J. S. Dunnett, 5th A.A. Bty. to be L/Bdr. 17.11.39.

Gnr. F. Ip, 5th A.A. Bty. to be L/Bdr. 17.11.39.

Gnr. D. S. Blake, 5th A.A. Bty. to be L/Bdr. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. G. L. Eastgate, 3rd Bty. to be Bdr. 17.11.39.

L/Bdr. V. Bonch-Osmolovsky, 3rd Bty. to be Bdr. 17.11.39.

Gnr. H. K. Chan, 3rd Bty. to be L/Bdr. 17.11.39.

TRANSFERS
Pte. R. C. Beavan, from A.S.C. Coy. to 2nd Bty. 17.11.39.

Pte. A. Hill, from No. 1 Coy. to Corps Sig. 17.11.39.

LEAVE
Pte. L. A. Lewis, A.S.C. Coy. 13.11.39 — 12.12.39.
Pte. D. R. Holmes, No. 1 Coy. 17.11.39 — 19.11.39.

STRENGTH-DECREASE
Pte. E. U. S. Alves, No. 6 Company. 27.10.39.

Pte. G. A. Souza, No. 6 Company. 27.10.39.

Pte. C. H. Silva, No. 6 Company. 31.10.39.

Cpl. W. N. A. Smalley, Pay Section. 6.11.39.

STRENGTH-INCREASE
Pte. R. F. Gregory, M.M.G. Pl. 3.11.39.

E. N. THURSBY, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

Affiliated Unit Nursing Detachment, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

BANDAGING CLASSES
Practical bandaging classes on Monday 20th November at Volunteer H.Q. at 10.30 a.m. and 5.30 p.m.

LECTURE
The next lecture in First Aid will be held on Friday, 24th November at St. John's Cathedral Hall at 5.30 p.m.

Drill for half an hour will follow this lecture and all members attending are requested to have with them shoes suitable for marching in.

LEAVE
Mrs. J. Dobbs—18.11.39. to 18.2.40.
Miss E. Griffin—23.12.39. to 10.1.40.

ATTACHMENT
The following members were attached to the Military Hospital for training during the period shown:—

Mrs. E. E. Pritchard—23.10.39 to 30.10.39.

Miss M. V. Witchell—6.11.39 to 12.11.39.

Miss M. Eardley—4.11.39 to 5.11.39.

Miss A. Grady—11.11.39 to 12.11.39.

Miss D. Deakin—11.11.39 to 12.11.39.

STRENGTH-DECREASE
Miss D. Moss—8.11.39.

STRENGTH-INCREASE
Mrs. C. I. Warren—3.11.39.

Sgd. Mrs. I. M. S. BRAUDE, Asst. Comdr., Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D. Corps.

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Miss Rose Rosenher who for 15 years was personal private secretary to the late Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, and who has been described as 'the woman who can keep secrets' was married at the Chelsea register office the other day to Mr. Luzzo Hoenig, the artist. Bride received many presents from peers and M.P.s. Photo shows the bride and groom after their wedding—with Mr. Malcolm Macdonald (left). (Copyright, Fox)



Mickey Rooney in "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" at the Queen's Theatre to-day.

"BRITAIN DOES NOT BOMB US"

"Britain does not threaten us. Britain does not bomb us. Britain's planes drop leaflets and not bombs." This imaginary monologue by a German soldier was broadcast by the German Freedom Station. A new announcer was speaking.

The broadcast continued, states Reuter:

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"How can I explain that to you, Fuchrer? You have no wife. You have got no children. The world has recognised sooner than we did that one cannot get on with you."

"You have broken all your oaths, all those which you gave to us. You have promised us to keep peace. You are no soldier. You are a brigand."

HITLER AND HIGH COMMAND IN DISAGREEMENT: LONG CONFERENCES IN BERLIN

London, To-day.

HITLER IS CONTINUING to see a constant stream of party and military chiefs.

It is reported that Hitler himself wants immediate operations against the Allies to be carried out and that the German High Command is opposed to this.

Hitler is also hesitant, as he knows that if a "drive" started and was defeated by the Allies, the Army would thrust him aside and take power.

Joachim von Ribbentrop is receiving a large number of threatening letters, accusing him of having sold the Reich to Soviet Russia.

The latest issue of the "Schwarze Korps," official organ of the Army has been confiscated. It contained several obituaries of soldiers killed in that part of Poland which was later handed over to Soviet Russia.

The paper is also reported to have said that the British contraband control was beginning to tell on the German people and to have stated that German losses in Poland had been very heavy.

Berlin has promptly issued the expected denial.—Reuter.

BRITAIN TO BUY ALL N.Z. SUPPLIES

Wellington, To-day.

Mr. W. Nash, New Zealand Minister of Finance, announces that Britain is to purchase all New Zealand's surplus supplies of butter and cheese at a price which will just meet that guaranteed by New Zealand's Government to dairy farms.—Reuter.

CZECH COMMITTEE TO ORGANISE LEGION

Paris, To-day.

A Czech National Committee has been formed in Paris to form a Czech Army to fight with the Allies against the Nazis. M. Edouard Benes, the former Czech president, is on the Committee.—Reuter.

GROWING UNREST IN AUSTRIA

ZURICH, TO-DAY.

REPORTS FROM VIENNA INDICATE THAT THAT CITY, TOO, IS AFFECTED BY THE ANTI-NAZI MOVEMENT. STORM TROOPERS HAD TO INTERVENE IN A DEMONSTRATION BY MARKET WOMEN LAST WEEK.

Austrian factory workers are interfering with the Nazi war machine. Munitions are interfered with and industrial plants develop "mysterious defects."—Reuter.

HUGE ORDERS FOR WAR

London, To-day.

Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, said yesterday that his department had spent £160,000,000 on orders since the war began. The week before last alone, £20,000,000 worth of contracts had been placed.—Reuter.

CANADIAN CHINESE DINNER DANCE

The sixth annual dinner dance of the Canadian Chinese Club took place at the Peninsula Hotel last evening.

Among the 200 members and guests were Lt. Col. Daughy, Canadian Immigration Commissioner, and Mrs. Daughy, and Major Duclos, Canadian Trade Commissioner, and Mrs. Duclos.

RISE IN COST OF LIVING SLOWS OFF

London, To-day.

The rise in the cost of living is slowing down. The increase in September was 10 points, but October's increase was only 4 points.

Commenting on this, the "Daily Telegraph" says that the rise is very much smaller than was expected. Automatic wage increases based on the cost of living are already paid to 1,750,000 workers and since the war 4,000,000 others have also had increases.

Several newspapers point out that the rise in prices was caused by increased insurance and shipping rates. They are not likely to be much higher.—Reuter.

BRITAIN PILING UP MUNITIONS

London, To-day.

A large stock of anti-aircraft shells has been piled up in England during the lull.

Yesterday, members of the Press visited one of the many factories manufacturing the new 3.7 anti-aircraft shell.

This factory also makes 27 types of munitions, from the 12-inch naval shell downward and also supplies 500-lb. bombs for aircraft and oxygen cylinders to aviators who have to fly at very high altitudes.—Reuter.

MIGRATION FROM THE UKRAINE

MOSCOW, TO-DAY.

THREE HUNDRED GERMAN PEASANT FAMILIES HAVE BEEN EVACUATED FROM THE POLISH UKRAINE.

Its work now finished, the German Commission for Repatriation left Moscow for Berlin on Thursday night.

German sources in Moscow state that only 115,000 Germans will be transferred, as compared with a million Russians, Ruthenians and Ukrainians.—Reuter.

PREMIER OUT AGAIN

London, To-day.

Mr. Chamberlain went out yesterday for the first time since his attack of gout. He walked from 10, Downing Street, to his car. A soft slipper was on the affected foot.—Reuter.

MR. GREENWOOD ORDERED TO REST

London, To-day.

Mr. Arthur Greenwood will make no more speeches until the end of the year. His doctor insists on his "going slow" for a time. He had an arduous time for several months during the illness of Mr. C. Attlee, Leader of the Opposition.—Reuter.

EX-SOLDIERS FOR HOME DEFENCE

London, To-day.

Twenty thousand more men are required for the Home defence battalions. They must be ex-infantry men between the ages of 35 and 50.

One of their main duties will be the guarding of important points. At the moment, this is being done by some of the fighting troops but as the Home battalions increase in strength these men will be replaced.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CLAIMS IN PAKHOI AREA

Shanghai, To-day.

Information available here on the Japanese landings near Pakhoi is meagre, and reports from Chinese and Japanese sources are conflicting.

Japanese Navy circles claim that their marines have advanced 30 miles inland, though no confirmation of this can be obtained from other sources.

Chinese quarters, while not over optimistic, affirm that Chinese shore batteries have sunk a number of Japanese launches which were trying to land men from warships.—Our Own Correspondent.

STREET FIGHTING

Kwong Chow Wan, To-day.

Reliable messages received last night state that the Japanese have occupied Fongshing, south-west of Yamchowfu.

Street-fighting in Yamchowfu commenced yesterday afternoon when the Japanese from Fongshing reached the city.

The Japanese are concentrating most of their forces in the Yamchowfu region, which is much closer to Kwangsi border than Pakhoi or Limchowfu (Hopo).

Meanwhile, Pakhoi is still in Chinese hands, according to reports yesterday afternoon, no messages being received on the fighting in this area last night.—Our Own Correspondent.

FONGSHING IN RUINS

Shiukwan, To-day.

Fongshing lies in ruins after repeated bombings by Japanese aircraft.

Japanese cavalry and infantry units are invading Yamchow. Heavy fighting is reported to be in progress around the city.—Central News.

A JAPANESE REPORT

Shanghai, To-day.

According to Japanese reports, a meeting of the British and American Ambassadors to China and a Japanese diplomatic representative will be held in Shanghai following the arrival of Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, who is now in Hong Kong.—Our Own Correspondent.

TROOP TRAIN DYNAMITED

Fancheng, To-day.

Over 100 Japanese troops lost their lives when a southbound Japanese troop train was dynamited at Lichiatse on the Peiping-Hankow Railway on November 15. The locomotive and four coaches were destroyed.—Central News.



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UNITY OF THE EMPIRE

Whole Field Covered In Imperial Discussions

JOINT RESOURCES TO BE BROUGHT FULLY INTO PLAY WITHOUT RESERVATION

London, To-day.

THE UNITY OF THE Empire in war was re-emphasised at a press conference at the Ministry of Information yesterday with the representatives of the Governments of the Dominions and India.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Dominions Secretary, in a speech, said the discussions with these representatives had covered the whole field of the common effort of the Commonwealth — strategic, economic and financial — and had given full assurance of that spirit of co-operation which would ensure that the joint resources would be used in the most effective and most economic manner.

Co-operation in our war effort meant more than it did in 1914.

The Dominions were now more widely developed and more extensively industrialised, and their material contribution would be in a measure and at a rate many times greater than a quarter of a century ago.

Referring to the great Empire air training scheme in Canada, Mr. Eden said the results would be of enormous value.

SCHEME UNIQUE

The scheme was unique and was probably the greatest example of Empire co-ordination to be centred and carried out in a part of the Empire other than the United Kingdom.

Mr. Eden pointed out that Great Britain would be sending personnel to Canada for training and would otherwise contribute to further this joint endeavour.

The result would be not only a magnificent material contribution to victory but an outstanding example of Empire co-operation which would have a considerable psychological effect on their enemies, who had been over-anxious to demonstrate how rapidly the British Commonwealth of Nations was disintegrating.

MAXIMUM POWER

Mr. Crerar (Canada) emphasised that Canada's effort to support the

Allied cause would be exerted to the maximum power of the Canadian people.

Mr. Casey (Australia) declared that Australia would pull its full weight.

Mr. Fraser (New Zealand) said the Dominion was fully at one with the United Kingdom in its determination to end the ruthless application of force.

INDIA'S SPOKESMAN

Sir Muhammad Zafrullah Khan (India) declared that Indians of different races, creeds and languages were determined to exert every effort to fight Nazi aggression.

In reply to questions, it was stated that there was no intention of establishing an Imperial War Cabinet on the lines of the last war.

VOLUNTARY EFFORT

The Canadian representative (Mr. Crerar) emphasised that Canada was in the war not from constraint but as a voluntary effort.

The Australian representative (Mr. R. G. Casey) said that no one should be misled by German wireless propaganda trying to discount the active participation of the Dominions; neither Britain nor Australia stood to gain anything from the war but freedom to live in peace and quietness.

WITH GENEROSITY

The South African representative

BRITAIN'S PHLEGM IN WAR EFFORT

London, To-day.

"I shall return to South Africa to take part in building up the not inconsiderable effort my country has decided to undertake, and I shall be able to tell people there to be of good heart for all is well."

So declared Colonel Denys Reitz, the South African representative at the Empire talks, addressing a press conference yesterday in a review of the Dominions' representatives tour of Britain and France.

His principal impression, Col. Reitz said, was the calm nature of their meetings in London, where the equipment of great armies and the building of mighty fleets by sea and air were discussed in an atmosphere as quiet and unperturbed as a municipal council discussing rates.

ALL THAT IS LEFT TO HITLER

"All in France is confidence, and certainly I don't believe that millions could break the Maginot Line, nor will they break the British front."

"As far as I could see, all that is left to Hitler is to conduct a guerilla war, and I have no doubts as to the outcome of that," Col. Reitz concluded.—Reuter.

recalled that he fought against Britain for three years and how a victorious Britain treated South Africa with generosity; he contrasted South Africa's present position with her position when she stood alone.

The New Zealand representative spoke of his recent visits to the Western Front, where he met many New Zealanders playing an active part.—Reuter.

BLOMBERG RUMOURS

Paris, To-day.

"Le Matin" reports that General von Blomberg has been shot and that German officers who were compromised in a movement against Hitler have been imprisoned.

This report must necessarily be unconfirmed, but it is noteworthy that last week it was reliably reported that von Blomberg and a number of other officers had been imprisoned.—Reuter.

TATHONG CHANNEL MINEFIELD

It is officially announced that on and after Monday, a Controlled Minefield will exist in the Tathong Channel, and passage will be prohibited whenever the Signals prescribed in Admiralty Notice to Mariners No. 1 of 1939, Para. 2, are displayed.

These Signals consisting of 3 RED BALLS by day and 3 RED LIGHTS by night, will be hoisted by the Port War Signal Station at Cape D'Aguiar and will be repeated by Patrol Craft when in the vicinity, but Mariners are warned that Patrol Craft may not always be on duty.

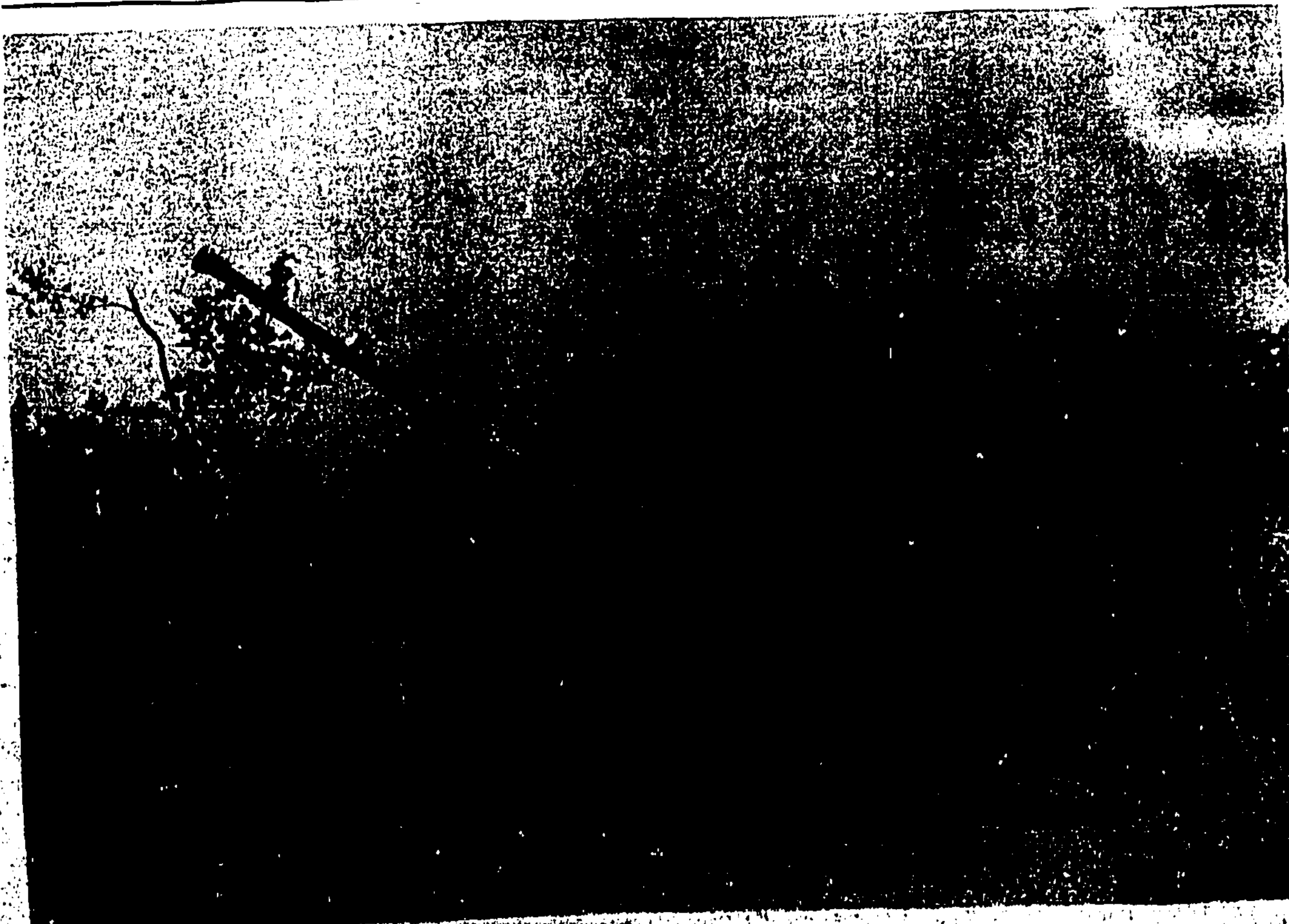
When these Signals are displayed no Vessel is to proceed North of a Line drawn 060 Degrees from Cape D'Aguiar or South of the Anti-Submarine Boom. As a further precaution the "Normal Gate Open" Signals will not be hoisted for Vessels departing while the Minefield is dangerous.

When the "Gate Open" Signals are hoisted, and the Signals have been lowered at Cape D'Aguiar, passage through the Tathong Channel is safe. Great caution is necessary when approaching the Port in thick weather and unless Mariners can clearly see that these Signals are not hoisted at the Port War Signal Station, they should assume that the Port is closed and keep well clear of the Tathong Channel.

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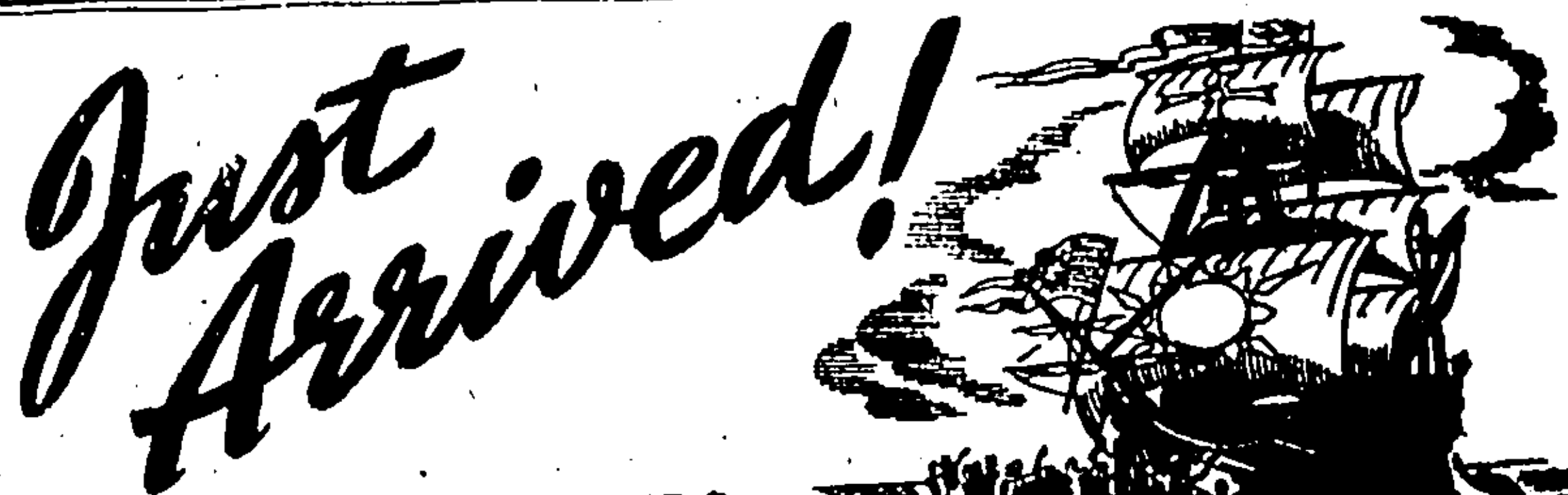
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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

FAR EAST RUMOURS

The political atmosphere in the Far East is heavily charged with rumours set in motion by the unusual amount of diplomatic activity at present going on. Since diplomacy is secret, rumours are inevitable. The truth becomes known only when the governments place their peoples before a fait accompli, and the peoples are expected to swallow what their governments decide is good for them.

The situation in the Far East, where so many conflicting interests are involved, is much more bewildering than the happenings in Europe, where the issues are fairly clear and the battle lines (at present) sharply drawn. Out here we have the European "democracies" (Britain and France) seeking a way of ending the China conflict. Preoccupied with fighting Germany, they are desirous of some sort of settlement of the Far Eastern embroglio which will leave them at least secure in their colonial possessions in this part of the world.

The United States, intent on preserving China's territorial integrity, and the principle of the Open Door that goes with it, is preparing for a showdown with Japan.

Soviet Russia, heavily involved in Europe despite the formal neutrality of the Stalin government, would like to arrive at a peaceful settlement of outstanding issues with Japan, regardless of what it may cost China or anybody else.

Japan and China, both exhausted by the war, though in dissimilar degree, want peace, but their ideas as to what could be accepted as conditions for an "honourable" termination of the conflict are as far apart as the poles. It is the presence of all these contradictory elements which gives to the current diplomatic scene its bewildering character. The diplomats play their game with the technique of poker enthusiasts. Bluff and pretence fill the air. Rumours are set in circulation to confuse or frighten the rival players. If expediency dictates, they are denied. Hints are thrown out for the scribes of the press to work on. Speeches are made. Statements are issued. Then they are "interpreted." The interpretations get someone indignant. More denials. More rumours. More speeches. More statements. And the game goes merrily on.—"China Weekly Review."

THE SWEEP AGAIN

"Well," said The Sweep, "I see by the papers that they've arrested little old Gobbles."

"That's right," I said.

"And little old Streicher," said The Sweep, "though you don't want to believe everything you read in the papers."

"Too true," I said.

"And who do you think they're going to arrest next?" asked The Sweep.

"No idea," I said.

"Little old Ribbondrops," said The Sweep.

"Go on?" I said.

"Little old Ribbondrops as ad it comin to im for a long time," said The Sweep. "I reckon he's still telling little old Itler that we're goin to climb down."

"Quite likely," I said.

"And when little old Itler finds out we aint," said The Sweep, "little old Ribbondrops is goin to be up agin a wall."

"Too true," I said.

"If he dont git little old Itler up agin a wall first," said The Sweep.

"That's right," I said.

"All the same," said The Sweep, "I cant see ow it's goin to work out."

"Nor me," I said.

"If they all start arrestin each other," said The Sweep, "they're goin to be in a nice mess."

"They are an all," I said.

"It wont be long," said The Sweep, "before there's just a couple of them left wonderin who's goin to arrest the other."

"That's right," I said.

"And then what's goin to appen?" asked The Sweep.

"No idea," I said.

"Of course you avent," said The Sweep, "and you doint want to start worryin about things you dont understand."

"I aint," I said.

"There's too many people like you about," said The Sweep, "always arskin questions and statin rumours."

"I avent," I said.

"You can elp the country best," said The Sweep, "by doin your bit of typin and keepin your mouth shut."

"All right," I said.

"Unless they git you into the Army agin," said The Sweep. "Cor crikey."

"Cor blimey," I said.

"England's last ope," said The Sweep. "Cor sufferin snakes."

"Cor sufferin sea serpents," I said.

"If little old Itler knew you ad joined up agin," said The Sweep, "I reckon he'd sue for peace."

Cor chase my Aunt Fenny round the fund oles.

Cor strike me red, white and blue."

"Cor," I said.

—Nat Gubbins in the "Sunday Express."

MR. SHAW ON HITLER

The clearest statement of the reasons why Hitler is mistrusted in this and in other countries was made by the Archbishop of York in his admirable broadcast. Dr. Temple gave a series of instances of Hitler's bad faith and unscrupulous violence. Mr. Bernard Shaw deprecates this judgment as unduly harsh. He explains that instead of calling Hitler a liar we should call him a realist who "changes his mind" "pretty quickly and boldly as the circumstances change." Thus when he breaks his word he only shows how readily he adapts himself to a new situation. The distinction is interesting, but it is more interesting than important. If a man breaks promise after promise, the consequence is much the same whether we call him a rogue or a realist. In either case it is difficult to make agreements with him.

Mr. Shaw returns in his last paragraph to the subject of Hitler's character and personality. He pities him because he is obliged to support a host of nobodies, "no matter what atrocities the worst of them may commit." Here Mr. Shaw, in a kindly impulse, does this autocrat an injustice. The bombing of towns and villages in Poland, which excited the horror of the world, was not due to any such failure of the strong man's control. On the contrary. Hitler himself spoke of "the excessive consideration" of his airmen. So far there is an air of balance and compromise about Mr. Shaw's view. But in the last sentence he throws his whole weight behind the Prime Minister, the Archbishop, and other public men who have maintained that Hitler's word cannot be accepted. For there he explains that Hitler is a lunatic, and a lunatic of the most dangerous kind. He goes so far as to argue that this fact should be put before a Peace Conference as one of our grievances. If the conference took Mr. Shaw's view the proceedings so far as Hitler is concerned would be a good deal briefer than the famous trial of Pope John XXIII, for the minor charges, as Gibbon described murder and piracy, might be dismissed. It is satisfactory to find that Mr. Shaw's letter leads at last to so definite dramatic a conclusion.—"Manchester Guardian."

GERMAN METHODS IN ATTACK

THE FREE-RANGING OFFENSIVE

(From a Military Correspondent)

IN THE COURSE of the month of September, when the German Army was tied to the defensive in the West in consequence of its preoccupation in the East, German defensive tactics and fortification were considered in "The Times."

To-day the situation is different. The bulk of the German first-line formations have moved West, and some ten days ago it appeared quite possible that a major offensive was about to be launched.

Such an operation cannot be wholly discounted even now. Despite flooded rivers, the state of the ground is not yet such as to put it out of the question, though the margin of time is becoming narrow, because the most optimistic commander could scarcely expect to achieve any considerable measure of success in a shorter period than from a month to six weeks. It may therefore be of interest to consider German offensive tactics in the light both of German military literature and of the information available about the campaign in Poland.

The former source is the less easy to deal with because there is so much common ground in all offensive theories. If one insists, for example, on the importance attached by the German Army to the principle of "fire and movement," it may be retorted that this principle is universal and that the British Expeditionary Force of 1914 was imbued with it. If one pronounces that almost magic word "infiltration," which is sanguinely acclaimed to be the master-key to every door, the answer may be that no Army doubts its value in certain circumstances, but that it also has many failures to its discredit. If one quotes the modern German precept that no account should be taken of fatigue in the course of a pursuit, it may be asked whether Murat after Iena, or Charles Rose in Central India, or General von Kluck after the Battle of Le Cateau were sparing of man or beast, and whether "sweat saves blood" be an old German dictum or a new one. In fact very similar principles and instructions appear in the field service regulations and manuals of military training issued by every General Staff. None the less, something of value can be derived from military literature by noting the variation of emphasis laid upon certain aspects of doctrine. It often amounts to a matter of NUANCE only, but it suffices to provide a guide to tendencies.

THE NAZI INFLUENCE

Military doctrine is influenced not only by national temperament but also by the phase through which the mass-mind of the nation happens to be passing. Germania has seldom been lacking in self-confidence or even in arrogance, while Nazi Germania is also highly strung, impatient, and ready to take risks. It is therefore not surprising to find a strong element of the adventurous in modern German theory and practice. Yet the type of offensive advocated by German writers and carried out in the Polish campaign is largely an adaptation to improved armament of that envisaged in the instructions issued for the offensive of March, 1918. Storm troops were to move in the van, followed by skirmishing lines and small composite forces of all arms; aircraft were to fly obliquely to the front and dive over the hostile infantry, which they were to attack with machine-guns and even bombs; the infantry was not to be allowed to think of objectives as lines, the only objective that mattered being the hostile artillery; the pace of the advance was to be set by the fastest, not by the slowest; touch with the enemy was the first desideratum, not touch with the flanks of neighbouring units. One of the few works of caution is also heard to-day in the injunction to scout and patrol ahead and on the flanks.

The general principles on which German offensive tactics are based may be shortly summarized. The attack is carried out in great depth and in loose, irregular dispositions, without narrowly defined objectives. Every unit, from the very smallest—the group or squad, which covers the advance of three or four men by the fire of a light machine gun—moves under the protection of its own fire. Where breaches are made in the hostile array, the troops which have created them press into them and strive to disintegrate a whole section of the front by their forward movement. (Here we find something more than a difference in emphasis between French and German teaching. "Enlarge the breaches by lateral thrusts," say the French; "Push on boldly into the breaches," say the Germans.) Reconnaissance must never be neglected in favour of protection—the obvious intention being to prevent hesitation and timidity. "Decentralization" may be taken as the infantry's watchword; orders are as little detailed as possible and a very large freedom of initiative is given to subordinate commanders, particularly to battalion commanders.

METHODS OF ADVANCE

Decentralization, however, does not apply to the infantry alone. It is practised in the artillery also, which, generally speaking, is put at the disposal of the lowest possible fighting formation, normally the division rather than the army corps, but sometimes even the infantry regiment. The security and even the accuracy of the artillery are subordinated to the desirability of rapid opening of fire; where possible, observed fire. Should the enemy yield ground, the artillery is pushed forward with all

COMMISSION FOR V.C.

Mr. Edward Benn Smith, V.C., has been granted a temporary short service commission as Lieut. (Quartermaster), states a supplement to the "London Gazette."

Mr. Smith, who is 40, won the V.C. during the last war at the age of 19. Said to be the youngest holder of the Cross in the Service, he gained it "for most conspicuous bravery, leadership and personal example during an attack and in subsequent operations."

TO WIN A CHICKEN

Every soldier from Berlin who becomes a father for the tenth time will receive a chicken every Sunday for the duration of the war.

Solemn announcement of this reward was made in a German broadcast last night, and the announcer broadcast the names of about forty soldiers who had become fathers in the last few days.

Nazis in Leipzig tell them to bring Another solemn announcement to their sugar ration cards along and they will get fish. But they won't get the fish for a day or two, because it hasn't arrived yet.

possible speed. Tanks may be employed to protect the infantry while the artillery is on the move. Otherwise the chief employment of tanks is in flank attacks and "at the point where a decision is sought." Speed and mobility are the most valuable characteristics of tanks, which are not tied too closely to the infantry for fear of wasting these qualities. Small emphasis is laid upon manoeuvre and the use of ground as cover in the course of an advance, and apparently the place of such methods is to be taken by fire, upon the importance of which there is steady insistence. In this connexion it is interesting to note the strength of the infantry armament: 85 light and 42 heavy machine guns, 27 light and 18 medium trench mortars, six light and two heavy "infantry guns," and 12 37mm. anti-tank guns to a regiment. Delay is regarded as more blameworthy than the choice of the second-best course of action in place of the best. To some extent safeguards are provided, in view of the freedom allowed to subordinates and the boldness required of them, by means of rapid and complete reports, which are considered an urgent necessity.

A recent French student of German tactics, Lieutenant-Colonel Armand Mermet, considers that the key to their spirit is to be found in one remarkable precept: IM KRIEG GIBT ES KEIN SCHEMA. DER KRIEG STELLT FUHRER UND TRUPPE VOR IMMER NEUE VERSCHIEDENE UND UBERRASCHENDE LAGEN. (In war there is no set plan. War sets commanders

and troops in the presence of ever new, different and unexpected situations.)

Aircraft reconnaissance is regarded as of the highest importance, and the Air Force is the handmaid of the Army to a far greater extent than with us. In this respect the motorization and mechanization of modern armies is fully taken into account. In the last War we used to think of tactical aircraft reconnaissance as extending to a depth of some 10,000 yards, whereas to-day reconnaissance up to 50 miles is looked upon as tactical. Lieutenant-Colonel Mermet has been particularly struck by the significance attributed in German doctrine to two methods of protection, represented by two words not easily differentiated in translation into English. VERSCHLEIERUNG stands for the veiling of movements and intentions from hostile reconnaissance and intelligence services. It includes offensive advanced guards to keep the enemy at a distance; night marches, false moves and feints; protection from air reconnaissance by fighting squadrons and anti-aircraft batteries, strict discipline in the transmission of messages by telegraph, telephone, and wireless; highly developed counter-espionage. TARNUNG stands for concealment by camouflage, screening of roads, avoidance of light at night. The ideal is that the Army should strike through a veil of mystery an enemy ignorant of its intentions and dispositions, but should then discard caution and put every ounce of its strength into the blow.

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On September 4 the Admiralty announced that Germany was under blockade. Twenty-five years earlier, short of one month, the same grip of sea-power closed upon the German Reich of those days. When it collapsed, its generals and admirals and politicians complained that blockade had brought about the downfall. The measured judgment of historians of all countries has since agreed with them. What chance is there for the Reich of Nazism to escape a still more ruinous defeat?

In all the greatest conflicts of the world victory has been won by the nation or the allied forces which held the command of the sea. Sea power saved the Greek civilisation from destruction by the multitudinous armies of Asia. Rome had to win and keep the command of the sea before she could overthrow Carthage and build up her own empire. When her sea strength failed she fell before the barbarians. English sea power saved European freedom from the Spanish autocrat who dominated half a dozen countries in this Continent and commanded the wealth of the New World.

When Napoleon had shattered the power of Austria and Prussia and won over Russia by arms and cajolery he became master of the resources of Europe from the Urals to the Atlantic. Germany was at his orders, the Tsar of Russia ready to join with him in partitioning the world.

But he had lost the sea. From the hour that his naval power went down in the night of Trafalgar he was doomed. The coasts of the Continent, its trade and its supplies, lay blockaded by British ships till the nations rose against his intolerable empire and he fell.

NOT ENOUGH EVEN IN 1914

In the war of 1914 the German military machine conquered control of the resources of Belgium, Serbia, Rumania, Poland, the Ukraine and a good deal more of Russia. The hapless Austrian Empire contributed the industrial strength of Czechoslovakia and the fertile wheat fields of Hungary. M. Stalin's utmost generosity to his tried and trusted ally could not endow the Fuehrer to-day with more.

Yet so constrictive was the blockade of sea power from 1914 that the German troops on the Western Front were going hungry before 1917 was out. The workers behind the lines, the whole civil population, deprived for many months of any decent standard of living, stinted of food and fuel and clothes, became so disaffected that at the climax of his furious offensives of 1918 Ludendorff had to instruct his army commanders to keep battalions ready to strike against the Home Front.

But Germany had entered the war of 1914 with a prosperous population, with thriving industries, a large good reserve and considerable financial resources in foreign countries.

To the war of 1939 she comes im-

poverished and emaciated by the policy of Nazism. It is long since Field-Marshal Goering instructed the German people that they had to choose between guns and butter, and the benevolence of their Fuehrer had chosen guns for them.

DRASTIC RATIONING ALREADY

Imports, except those necessary for armament manufacture and the conduct of war, have been reduced to a minimum. Feverish efforts have been enforced to manufacture substitutes for the raw materials which German soil cannot produce.

Yet at the very outset of this war Nazism had to introduce a system of rationing which, even if the quantities allowed are obtainable, will bring, as Field-Marshal Goering has avowed, hardship and danger to health.

Some of those who visited Germany just after the Armistice of 1918 will remember the desperate yearning of Germans for soap. Field-Marshal Goering told them in his call to arms that they must make up their minds to go dirty throughout this war.

A revised version of his oration may now be issued, proclaiming that the Fuehrer has changed all that by the new compact with the Soviet.

Such, doubtless, is the story which propaganda machines are preparing to blare. But when the goods are not delivered propaganda, as the leaders of Germany in the last war learnt, makes bad worse.

From the harvests of Poland and the Ukraine and Rumania, when the Kaiser's legions overran them, the Germans of 1917 were promised good living, from the occupied oil fields and mines a great access of war strength. The event was otherwise — an acceleration of the speed with which the German Empire declined and fell.

AUTARKY: A VAIN AMBITION

Whatever M. Molotoff may have signed or meant, no manoeuvres of Nazi diplomacy can extricate the Reich from the grip of the blockade.

The efforts at autarky have proved hopelessly ineffectual. "Germany's genius and inventiveness," the Fuehrer bragged, "can easily and rapidly solve this problem." Her genius under his direction has left the Reich dependent on foreign supplies for the greater part or the whole of every important commodity except cereals, livestock, coal, timber, lead and zinc.

Maintenance of meat production, however, requires imports. During the last war Germany had to kill off her cattle for lack of fodder. That she will get more now than she got then from Poland and South-Eastern Europe is not probable.

In the articles essential to modern warfare the whole territory under Herr Hitler's rule is singularly poor. Even after the rape of Austria and Czechoslovakia and half Poland, Nazi Germany has still to obtain from abroad three-quarters of the iron ore which her industries require. The supplies she drew from Spain and France.

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Bringing Up Father

By George McManus



NO SCHEMING BY GERMANY WILL DEFEAT THE ALLIES' BLOCKADE

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are now cut off. How much she will get from Sweden, if she continues to destroy Swedish shipping, is an interesting speculation.

As for other metals—copper, tin, nickel, aluminium, chromium, tungsten, manganese and mercury—Germany must obtain all, or almost all, she consumes from other countries. Though contiguous States may supply some of them the main sources are outside Europe and thus subject to the full of the blockade.

RUBBER, TEXTILES AND OIL

It needs no proof that the mechanisation of armies has made rubber a munition of war of the first importance. Such a shortage as was inconvenient to the German forces in 1918 would now be crippling. Germany has tried to produce synthetic rubber. The value of the process may be estimated from the fact that she has still been importing four-fifths of her consumption.

She had better fortune with the manufacture of artificial textiles, but still obtained three-fifths of her needs from abroad. Not much cotton is grown in Europe, and cotton has its uses in the production of explosives.

Oil supply is now a crucial factor in war by air, land and sea. Germany produced, chiefly by distillation from coal, rather less than a third of her peace-time requirements, which were 7,000,000 tons. Petrol rationing has just impressed upon us that war vastly increases a nation's normal consumption of oil. Such a campaign as that waged by Germany in Poland must have made heavy demands on stocks. If Germany's war needs were thrice those of peace—some estimates have been as high as 20,000,000 tons—she would have to import as much, as 17,500,000 tons.

Where can she get that quantity? The German people have been told fairy tales about the Polish oil wells. If that small field can be worked on the same scale as before the invasion Germany might obtain from it as much as 500,000 tons a year.

Frenetic struggles have been made by German diplomacy to extract from Rumania as much oil as possible. The urgency was the measure of the need. But if the whole oil output of Rumania were poured into Germany—a supposition far from realisation—it would only contribute, on last year's figures, 6,500,000 tons.

For some time past Germany has been collecting as big an oil reserve as she could finance and provide with safe storage. The highest estimate of the quantity is 4,000,000 tons. Thus in the first year of war Germany's supplies, including home production and war reserves, would not exceed 6,500,000 tons, to which figure might have to be added such further amounts as Germany might succeed in obtaining from the former Polish oilfields in Galicia (now under Russian control) and Rumania.

Though the whole of the reserve were devoted to one year there would still be a heavy deficiency.

The German people will be told that the beneficence of Soviet Russia has saved that awkward situation. Herr Hitler should adapt the frantic lover's prayer, "Ye gods, abolish only time and space, and make a Nazi happy."

LIMITS TO RUSSIAN HELP

Russia has been producing about 27,000,000 tons of oil a year. In peace she used more than nine-tenths of that herself, and her export surplus has fallen since 1932 from 6,000,000 to 1,000,000 tons. With an army of millions mobilised she will not need less. Let us grant that production might be increased. But what of the distribution? The Soviet oil fields are at the other extremity of Russia from the German frontier, and their output cannot reach Germany by sea. To provide means for the transport of large quantities of oil from the Caucasus to the depots of the German army and air force would be the work of years.

Whatever else the Nazi leaders hope to get from the Soviet they, must know that it will never provide enough oil to save them.

In terms of supply, what has Nazism gained by its pact with Bolshevism? Russia can send cereals and sugar, products of which Germany will not be in need till drafts on her man-power strip the farms of labour. The only war materials which Russia has to sell are oil and manganese, and no great quantity of those can be transported, even if Germany could pay for them.

Months before the Nazi war disturbed food production in Eastern Moscow announced that Russian agriculture had no butter, eggs or bacon to export. It does not produce any form of those fat-yielding materials, such as oil seeds and whale oil, of which Germany stands in desperate need.

Russia, therefore, cannot, even if she would, contribute anything to the Nazi Reich's capacity for resisting the blockade. Of further supply of the materials vital to modern mechanised war Germany was deprived irretrievably a month ago. Stocks of some of the foodstuffs necessary for the maintenance of energy—butter, cheese and fats of all kinds—must already be falling short.

DOUBTFUL NEUTRAL SUPPLIES

We may anticipate that, as in the last war, the rulers of Germany will have recourse to any means which they dare employ for extracting produce from neutral countries. But their chances of success are now small.

The Reich's ability to pay is more than doubtful. Barter has been her only method of purchase in peace. In war, as her industries break down for lack of raw material, that must soon fail. Credit she has long had none. Friendship or favour from any neutral country for the tyranny which has ravished Austria and Czechoslovakia and Poland is out of the question.

Things are what they are. The Nazi leaders cannot long deceive their people now that they have challenged the physical conditions of the world. Its inexorable forces will decide the conflict. Sea power, still wielded by Britain and her allies, the deadliest of national weapons, has assured the victory as of old.

SHE 'SWUNG IT' ON HITLER

The woman who bamboozled Hitler and rescued a woman and her child from a Nazi concentration camp, told the House of Commons how she did it.

She is Mrs. Tate, Conservative M.P. for Frome.

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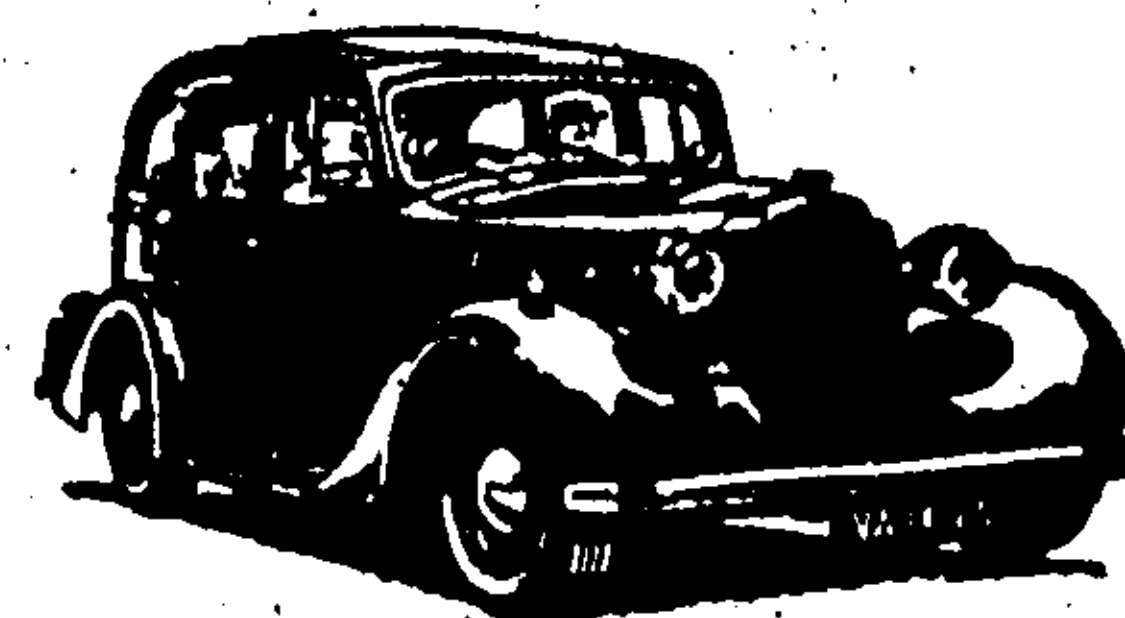
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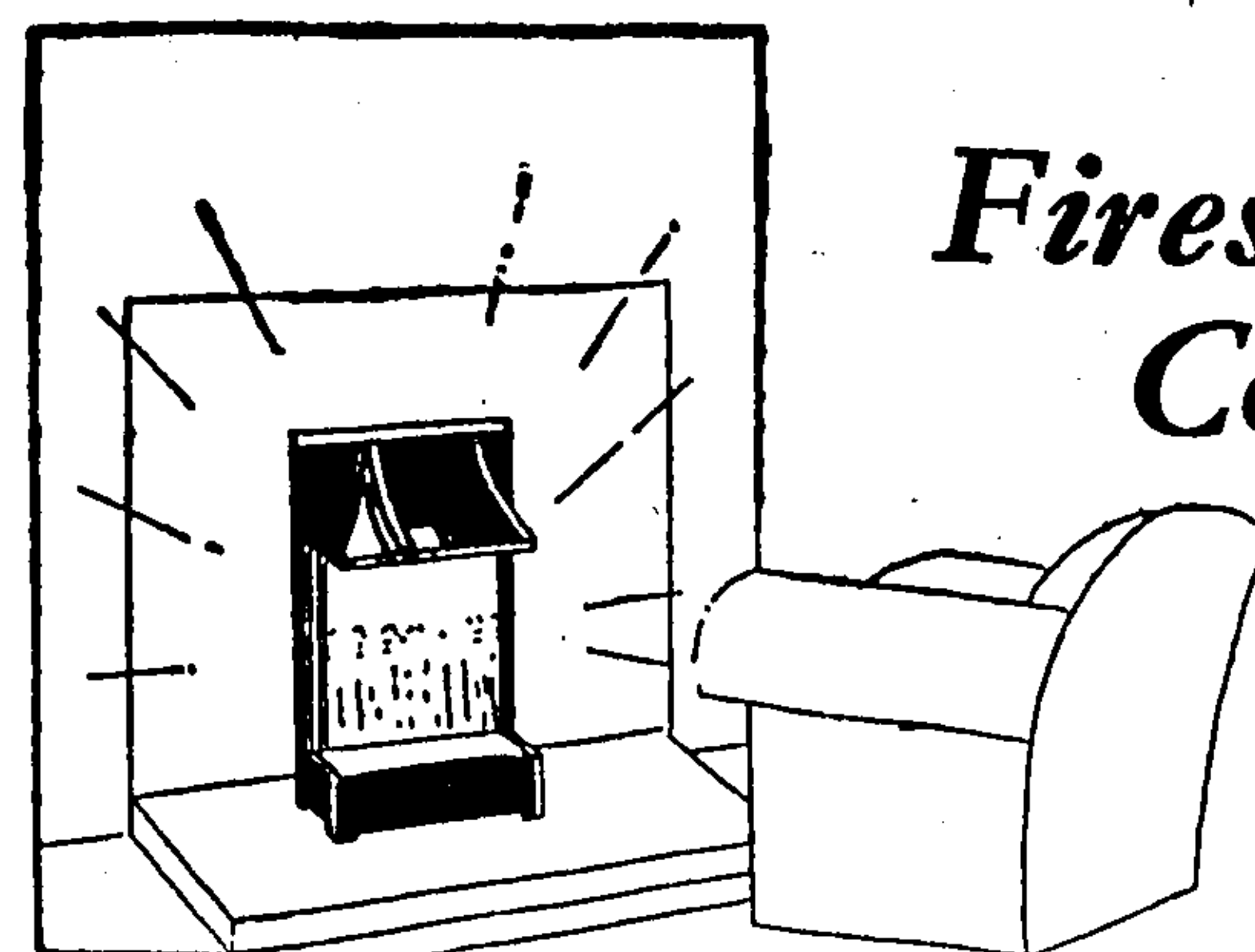


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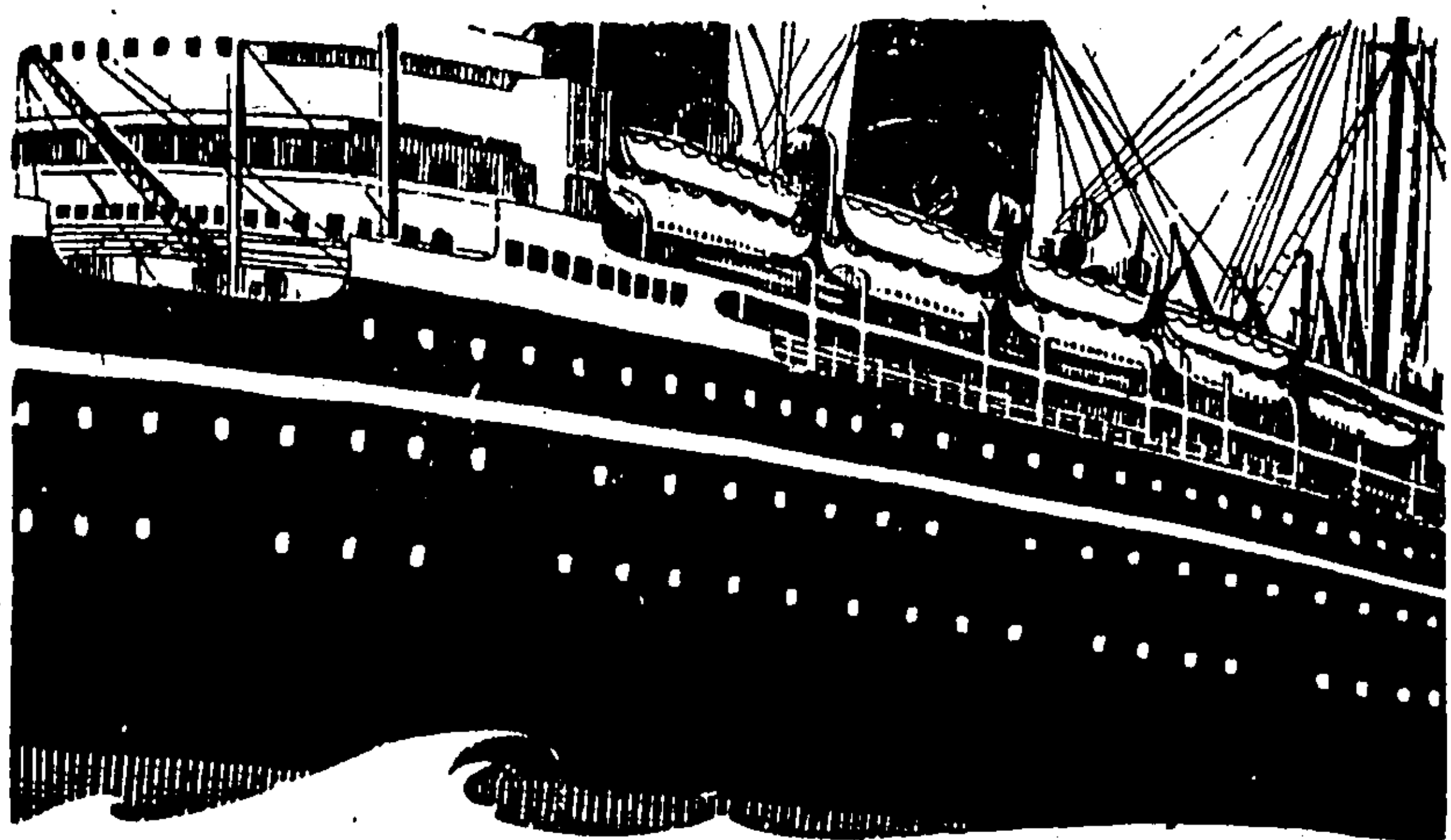
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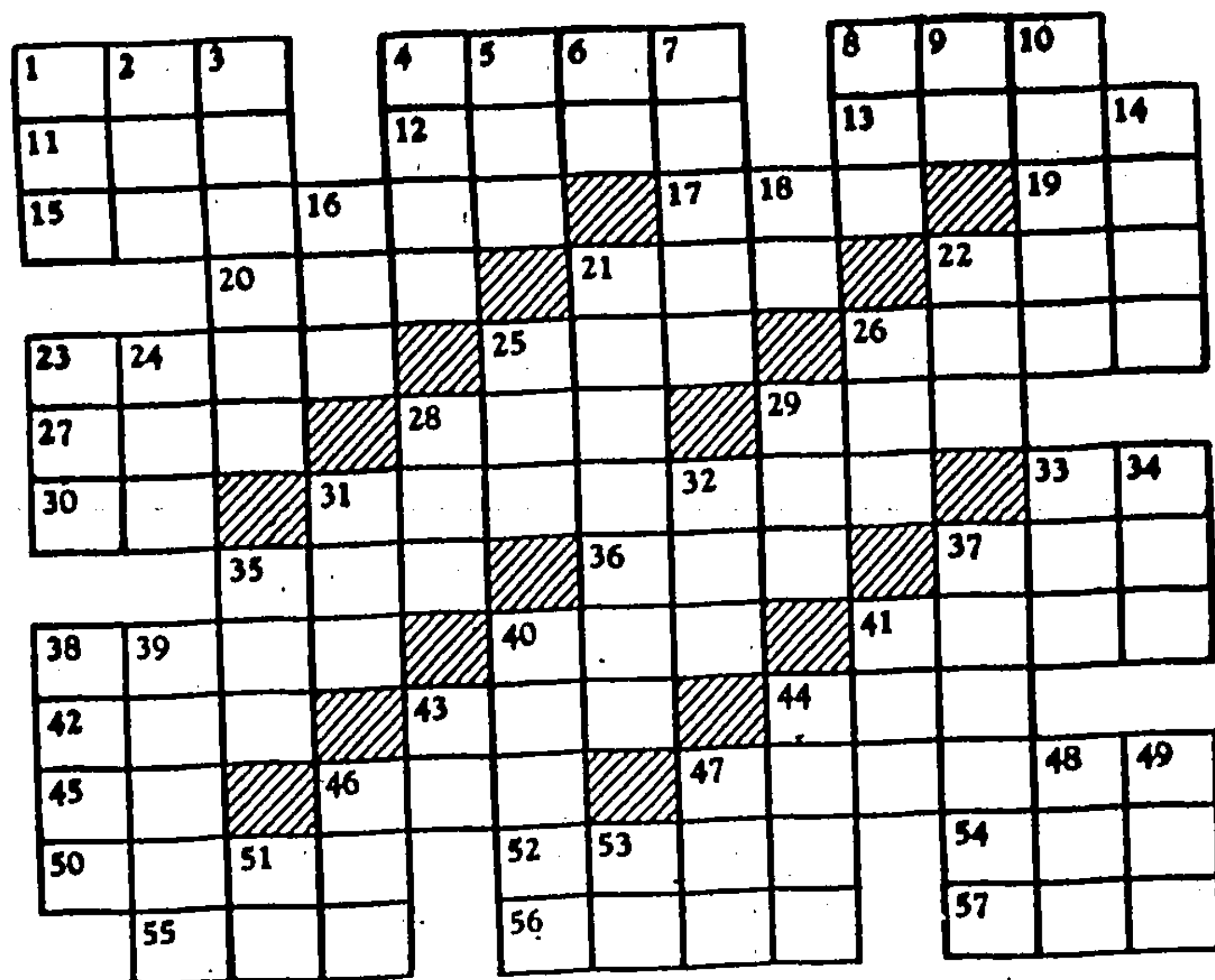
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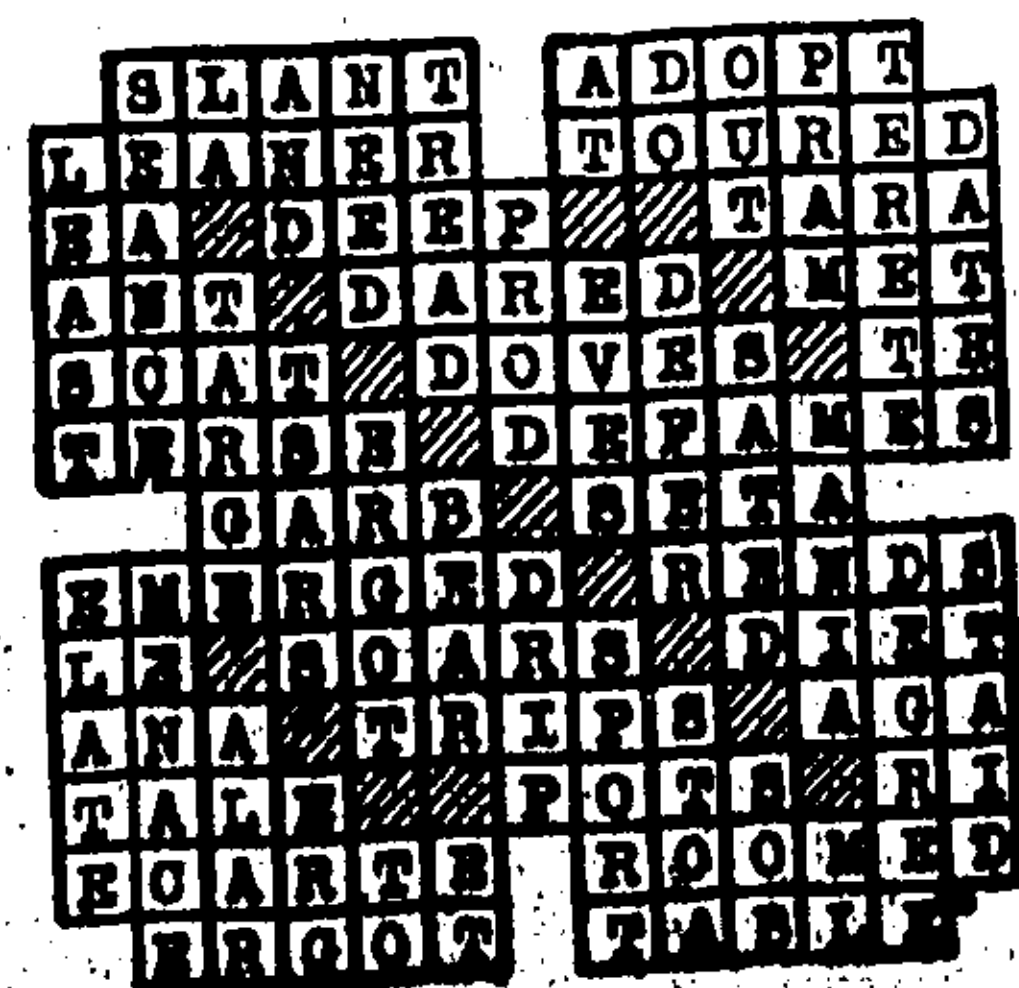
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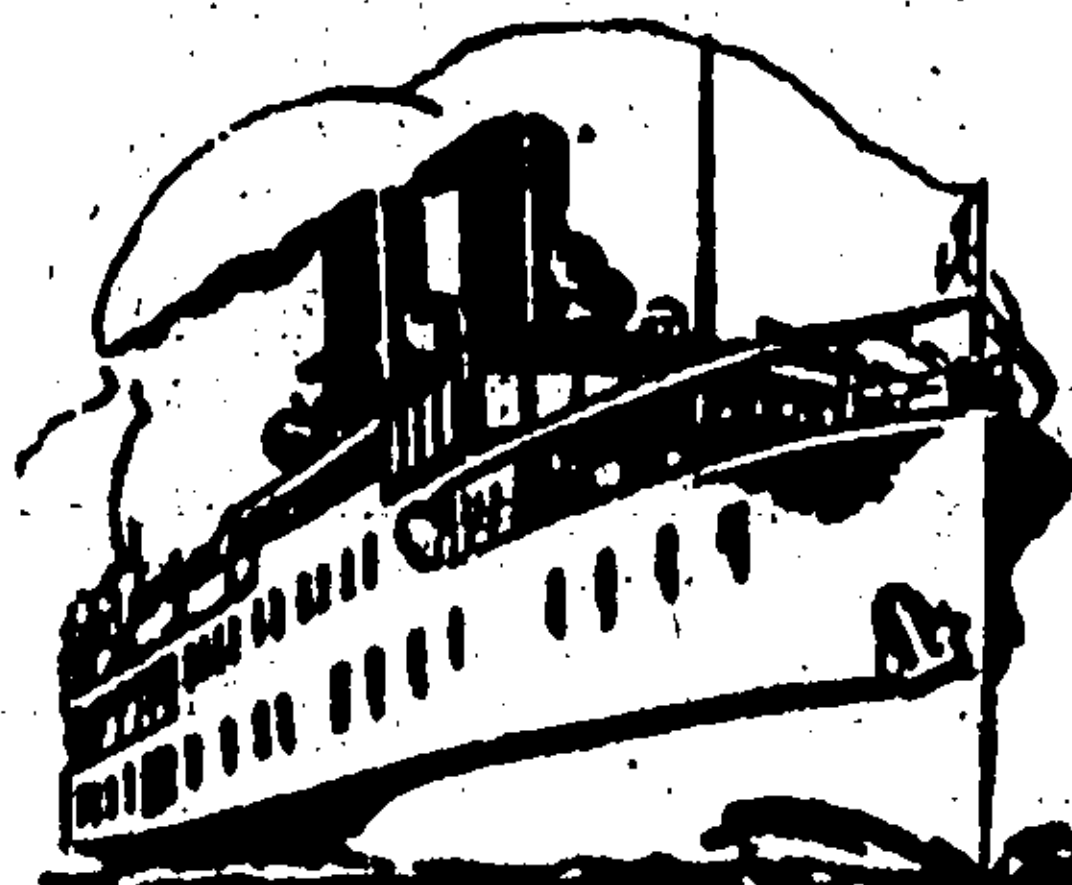
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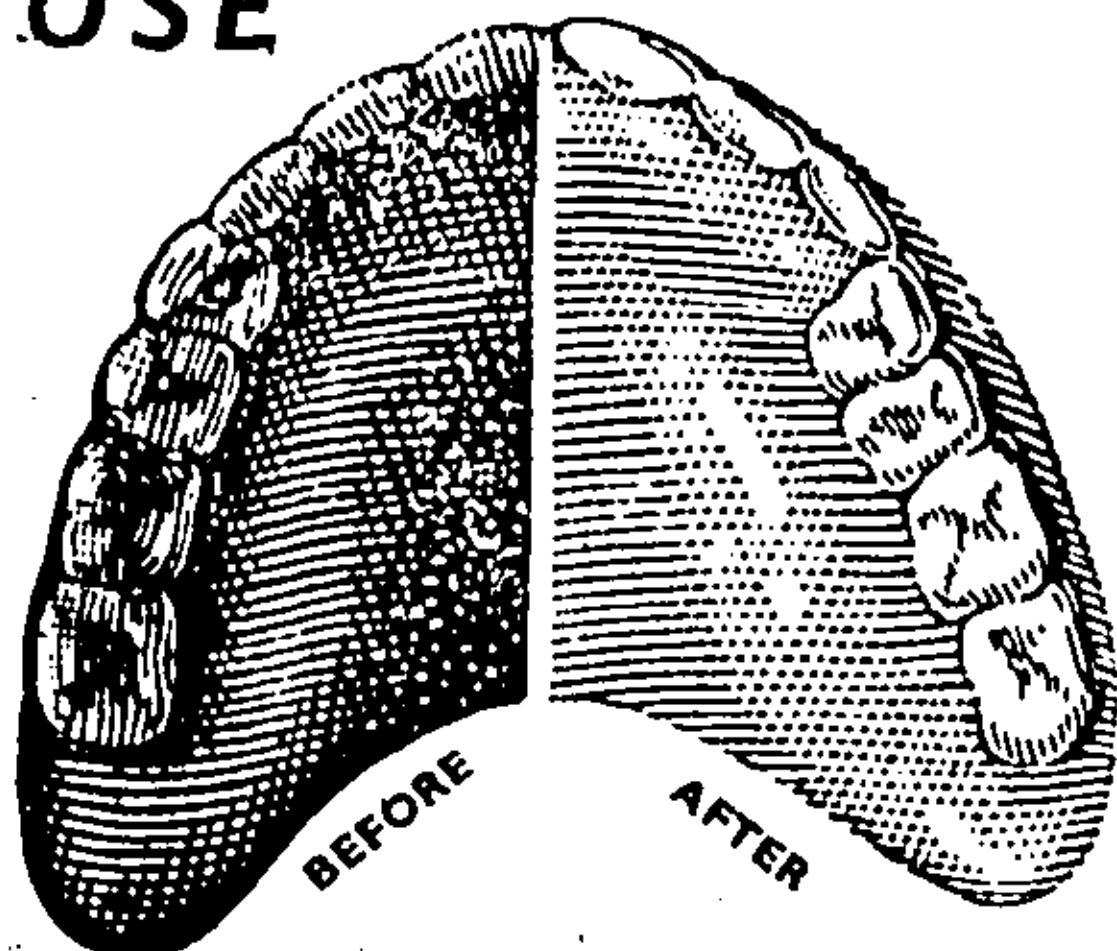
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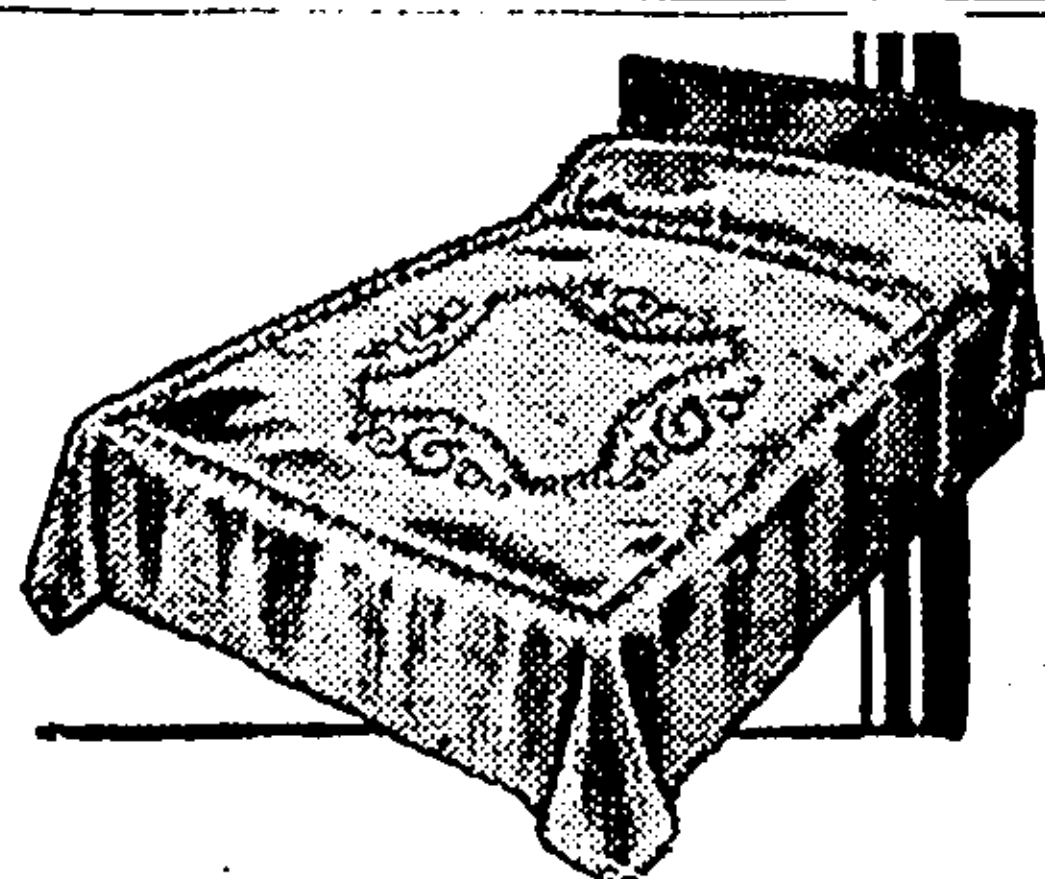
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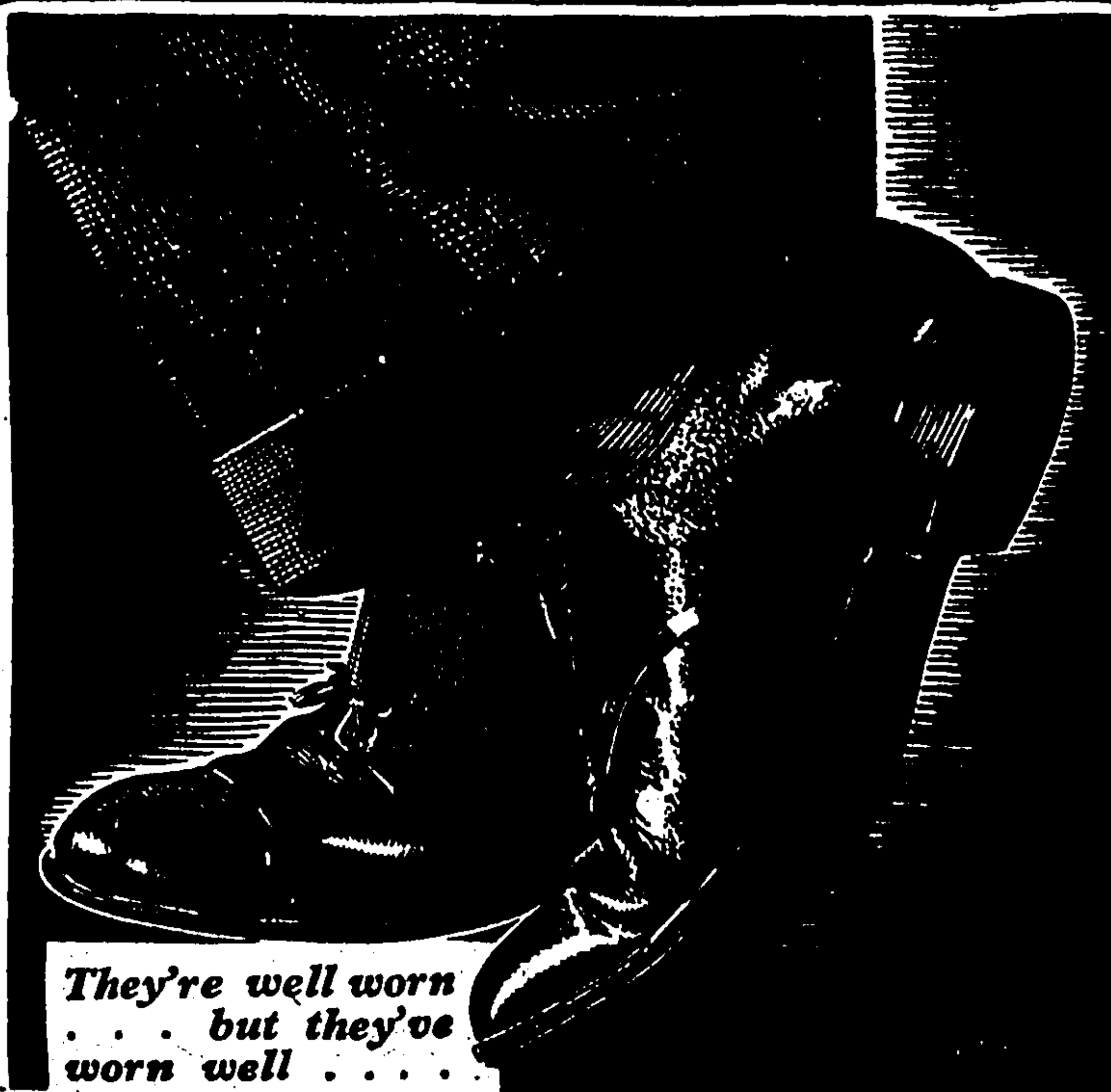


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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

Subject: "Soul And
Body"

The Subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow November 19th will be:—"Soul and Body."

The Golden Text will be:—"What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which we have of God, and ye are not your own?" (1. Cor. 6:19).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible:—"Let Israel rejoice in him that made him; let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. For the Lord taketh pleasure in his people: The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel; and I will bless them." (Ps. 149: 2, 4; Num. 6: 26, 27).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:—"Few persons comprehend what Christian Science means by the word reflection. To himself, mortal and material man seems to be substance, but his sense of substance involve error and therefore is material, temporal. The material body and mind are temporal, but the real man is spiritual and eternal. The identity of the real man is not lost, but found through this explanation; It is impossible that man should lose aught that is real, when God is all and eternally his. Soul is the substance, Life, and intelligence of man, which is individualised, but not in matter." (Pages 301, 302, 477).

"LUMINOUS EYES" HIS FEAR

A young Canadian in the R.A.F. got the idea that his eyes were more "luminous" than other people's. His friends chaffed him—particularly when they found he had written an article about it for a Canadian periodical.

This started a morbid mental condition in the Canadian—Robert Innes Hopkins, a cadet pilot, aged twenty-six.

One day, on week-end leave, he rowed for twenty miles in a rough sea. He had to force himself to return.

He got back to his unit a day late. Soon afterwards he gassed himself.

He left a letter addressed to a cadet. It said:—

"This is not a reflection on the R.A.F. . . . What I have done I have not regretted. The only reason I came to England was to get away from myself."

"When I think what I could have been but for my peculiarly sensitive nature I can almost laugh at myself."

"Am a bit of an enigma, I suppose . . . Endeavouring to analyse myself, I find I am up against a blank wall . . . something most radically wrong and there is no use carrying on."

This was revealed at the inquest when Suicide while the balance of his mind was disturbed, was the verdict.

Flying Officer Montague Rawkins, an R.A.F. medical officer, got Hopkins's story from him by inviting him to tea in his rooms.

The medical officer said there was nothing wrong with the young man's eyes. He was a fine type, and he advised him to get down to lectures and games.

'IDOLISED' HIS SLAIN WIFE

A man accused of murdering his wife was said to have stated: "I idolised her. We have always been happy together."

He is alleged to have confessed and added: "She was such a good wife. Why don't you kill me?"

The man, George Quinnell, aged fifty-nine, described as an assistant storekeeper, of Canal-road, Mile End, London, E., appeared at Thames Police Court and was remanded in custody for eight days.

Divisional Detective-Inspector Symes said that he found Mrs. Quinnell dead at her home on Tuesday. Later he saw Quinnell at Arbour-square Police Station.

The officer read from a written statement which, he said, Quinnell had made:

"I want to say what made me do it. I have lived with my wife for thirty-seven years, and I have been ill for months and had no sleep."

"I went to a nerve hospital because I was hysterical, and I gradually got worse."

"This morning my wife told me to go to Victoria Park for a walk. I went there, and stayed one and a half hours. When I came home she was cooking rabbit for dinner. I kept on thinking of leaving her as I had been so ill with an abscess."

"I thought I was going to die. I saw a Boy Scout's knife on the dresser. I had a terrible feeling I wanted to kill her, because I didn't want to leave her."

"As she was getting the rabbit out of the oven I stuck the knife in her throat. She fell on the floor, and I believe I struck her again."

"I went to Bow Police Station and told them what I had done."

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.
THERAPION No. 1
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Witty Kitty



The speeding motorist doesn't wish the traffic cop who catches up with him any hard luck but he knows the law would be easier with him if the cop got writer's cramp.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE

At a meeting of the Inter-Hong Softball League yesterday it was decided that the League be divided into two sections and the following were appointed to arrange the teams for each division:—T. Riberio, D. D'Aquino and P. Castilho.

The league will start on Sunday, December 17.

The following are the entries to date.

American Express, Green Spot, Oil, Ewo, Hong Kong Electric, Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Chartered Bank, Texaco, R.A.F. National City Bank, Lacas, Dutch Bank, Union Insurance, Standard Oil, China Provident, and China Underwriters.

INTER-SCHOOL SOCCER

In a friendly soccer match at Stanley yesterday, St. Stephen's College and Central British School shared two goals. St. Stephen's scored first, but Pryde equalised.

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TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

NO. 88—CHARLEY
ROSS

By VINCENT TOWNE

"We set God, man and the devil at defiance to wrest him from our hands!"

This challenge was received by two frantic parents in the Summer of 1874. They were Mr. and Mrs. Christian K. Ross of Germantown, the well-known suburb of Philadelphia. Mr. Ross was a merchant of the Quaker City and a man of moderate means. Early in the Summer of the year mentioned, his wife had gone to Atlantic City, accompanied by her daughter, leaving behind, in the care of competent servants, their two infant daughters and two sons, Walter, a boy of six, and Charley, a little bright-eyed, curly-haired tot of four, who still wore dresses.

Charley Ross and his brother were innocent, well-behaved youngsters who ran carefree through the neighbouring fields, gathering wild flowers and enjoying the neighbourhood games. Several times they reported to their sisters' nurse that two strange men had driven by in a buggy and offered them candy. As July approached they were very much excited in their anticipation of Independence Day and every evening coaxed their father to lay them in a good supply of firecrackers.

On July 1st both boys mysteriously disappeared from the sidewalk in front of their house, and Mr. Ross, upon returning home after office hours, was greeted by the frenzy of the household servants. Late that night, while he was searching for his two sons, a strange man appeared at the house with Walter, whom he said he had found crying on a street corner in Kensington. According to Walter's story, the two men who had previously given them candy had returned to the neighbourhood that day in a wagon. When the boys had asked these strangers if they had any firecrackers they invited the youngsters to jump in with them and drive to a fireworks store. In Kensington, Walter had been given a quarter to go into a shop and buy the coveted fireworks, but upon emerging from the store the child found that the wagon, the two strangers and Charley were missing.

Mr. Ross was hurriedly sent for. In the morning mail of July 4 Mr. Ross received a note demanding \$20,000 ransom as the price of Charley's return, the alternative being that the child would be killed if pay was refused. This letter stated that if the abductors should discover any attempt to approach the place in which Charley was hidden his "annihilation" would be instantaneous. After the case had defied the ingenuity of the police, the distracted father through newspapers "personals" arranged for various secret meeting places where the ransom should be paid, but each time the kidnappers failed to show up. Thereafter Mr. Ross made 200 long journeys to run down false clues, and his vain search cost him in all \$60,000.

The case sent a wave of indignation throughout the length and breadth of the land, and while the people's fury was at its height the abductors sent to the Ross home the cold-blooded challenge already quoted:

"We set God, man and the devil at defiance to wrest him from our hands."

Newspapers, public men and the legal fraternity demanded that there should be no compromise lest such outrages be repeated, but Mr. Ross continued his attempts to meet the terms of the kidnappers. The papers of the old world, including even some of the Orient, took up the case. It had the whole of Christendom by the ears. A purse of \$20,000, offered for the discovery of Charley Ross, stimulated the police of every American city to join in the search, and it was estimated that an army of 5,000 men and women of various walks of life were at one time working upon the case with a zeal inspired by sympathy as well as the desire to share in the reward offered for Charley Ross' return. But his captors



STRANGE MEN OFFERED THEM CANDY.

seemed to vanish like breath into the wind, in spite of the fact that they were being threatened by the most completely wrought police net ever devised to catch criminals.

The Winter following the abduction

the house of Judge Van Brunt, at Fort Hamilton, L. I., was entered by two burglars, Joseph Douglas and William Mosher. Their job was not very skilfully planned. They disturbed the inmates of the house and

both were shot, Mosher dying instantly. Douglas lived only a short while afterward, and when the death rattle was in his throat he confessed that he and his partner in crime had stolen Charley Ross. With his last breath, he whispered "Mosher knows all about the child. Ask him." But when told that Mosher had died, Douglas could only say: "God knows I tell you the truth. I do not know where the boy is. Mosher knew."

The career of Christian K. Ross was ruined by the kidnapping of his son. During the 23 years that he survived the crime there was not a day when he did not work upon the case or when he was not in receipt of some letter leading him on a false scent. He and his wife investigated the cases of over 270 mysterious children, located in various parts of the world and who had been described as resembling their lost son. Some were in gypsy camps, others in orphan asylums and some in the dens of criminals.

On March 19, 1939, Gustave Blair, 69 years old, filed suit in Phoenix, Arizona, to establish a claim as being the real Charley Ross. He stated that he was kept in a cave when a small child and afterward adopted by a man who told him he was the boy kidnapped in Germantown on July 1st, 1874.



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12.30 p.m.—Haydn—Trio in G Major and Other Compositions.
Variations in F Minor...Ignace Jan Paderewski (Piano).
My Mother Bids Me Bind My Hair...Elsie Suddaby (Soprano) with Piano.
Trio in G Major...Cortot, Thibaud and Casals.
Minuet and Finale from Divertimento...Eero Selin (Viola d'amore), Grete Eweler (Violin) and Gregory Pecker (Cello).
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Alfredo and His Orchestra with Lillian Harvey (Soprano).
Serenade in The Night (Kennedy & Others); I Once Had A Heart, Margarita (Schmitz & Others)...Alfredo & His Orchestra.
Leben Chne Liebe, Waltz (from the film 'Nie wieder Liebe')...Lillian Harvey (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Tell Me Again (Grosz); Russian Gipsy Sketch (Ferraris)...Alfredo & His Orch.
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and Stay, Sweet Fortune (Grothe-Dehmel)...Lillian Harvey (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Gipsy Caprice (Ferraris); Wanderlust...Waltz (Smith)...Alfredo & His Orch.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Variety.
Comedienne—Life's Desire (Hargreaves); They All Make Love But Me (Evans)...Gracie Fields with Orchestra.
Talking—Crazy Commentaries—Red Riding Hood v. The Wolf; Pancake Tuesday Throughout The Empire...Max Kester & John de Grey.
Vocal Duets—Old Favourites. Intro: Running wild; I ain't nobody's darling; Beautiful faces; Second Hand Rose; It ain't gonna rain no more; Fonso; What'll I do; Our Little Garden Suburb;

Ukulele Lady; Who tied the can on the old dog's tail...Norah Blaney & Gwen Farrar with Piano.
Comedian—The Empire Party Song (Sarony); Fat Flat Fish (Sarony)...Leslie Sarony with Orchestra.
Vocal—Whispering (Schonberger); Tea For Two (No. No, Nanette)...Comedy Harmonists with Piano.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Brahms—Concerto in B Flat Major, Op. 83, Artur Schnabel (Piano) and the B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Adrian Boult.
6.48 p.m.—Brahms' Gypsy Songs, Op. 103. The Madrigal Singers conducted by Lehman Engel.
6.58 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay—Rehearsing 'The Cart before The Horse'. Variety Programme.
7.30 p.m.—Two Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).
Beautiful Italy (Operetta 'Paganini'). Girls were made to Love and Kiss (Operetta 'Paganini').
7.37 p.m.—Schaikowsky—Nutcracker Suite, Op. 71A. Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Request Programme of Light Variety.
Waltz—A Thousand and One Nights (J. Strauss, arr. Frost)...Dresden State Opera Orchestra.
Humorous—Ye B.B.C. ... Flanagan and Allen with Dick Elgin and His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—Ride, Tenderfoot, Ride (Film 'Romance and Rhythm')...The Organ. The Dance Band & Me.
Humorous—Would a Manx Cat Wag Its Tail (Haines); That's What Puts the Sweet in 'Home, Sweet Home' (Newman)...Gracie Fields with Orchestra.
Selection—Lilac Time (Schubert)...The New Mayfair Orchestra.
Humorous Monologue—Reading to the Children; The Botany Glass...Arthur Marshall.
Fox-Trot—Goodnight, My Love (Film 'Stowaway')...Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Vocal—My Old Kentucky Home (Foster); Ol' Man River ('Showboat')...Kern... Paul Robeson (Bass) with Orchestra.
Sketch—Two Minds without a Single Thought (Furber); The Girl in the Post Office (Ronald Jeans)...Cicely Courtneidge & Company.
Tango—Hear My Song, Violetta (Klose, Lukesch); I'd Bring the Heavens to You...Emil Roosz & His Orchestra.
Selection—Crest of the Wave (Ivor Novello arr. Prentice)...The Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.
9.05 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Recent Events.
9.15 p.m.—LONDON—The News.

9.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—'The Ogdoddy's Outing.' A Sketch.
9.45 p.m.—Musical Comedy—'Please Teacher' (Weston, Lee, Waller and Tunbridge)...Bobby Howes & Others with The London Hippodrome Chorus & Orchestra.
10.02 p.m.—Request Programme of Light Variety continued.
Entertainer—Seven Vells (De Sylva, Brown & Henderson); Dear Old Fashioned Thing (Harrington & Hobson)...Norman Long with Piano.
Waltzes—Ferdinand the Bull (From the Waltz Disney Production of Same); The Umbrella Man (Film 'These Foolish Things')...Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Comedy—The Parson Talks About Marriage...Vivian Foster, the Vicar of Mirth.
Selection—White Horse Inn (Stolz & Benatzky)...New Mayfair Orchestra.
Comedy Duet—Income Tax; Holidays...Naughton & Gold.
Fox-Trots—The Donkey's Serenade (Friml, Slothart & Others) (From 'The Firefly')...Jack Hylton & his Band with Vocal Chorus by the Cavendish Three; The Down and Out Blues (Mayo) (From 'Happy Returns')...Jay Wilbur & his Band with Vocal Duet.
Waltzes—Fables from the Vienna Woods (Strauss)...Marek Weber & his Orch.
Vocal—Return of the Gay Caballero; Frankie & Johnnie (Crumit)...Frank Crumit with Piano, Guitar & Clarinet.
Fox-Trots—I'm an Old Cowhand (Mercer); Empty Saddles (From 'Rhythm on the Range')...Ambrose & his Orchestra.
11.00 p.m.—LONDON—"London Log."
11.15 p.m.—DANCE MUSIC.
Fox-Trots—On the Bridge of Sighs (Freed & Royal); Silver Sails on Moonlit Waters (Gilbert, Grundland & Nicholls)...Ronnie Munro & his Orchestra.
Tangos—Mi Musa Campera (Demare, Graciani & Elias); Madrecita de Pompeya (Martinez & Llano)...Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.
Fox-Trots—Hawaiian Hospitality (Owens & Kinney) (From 'Rhythm in the Clouds'); Little Heaven of the Seven Seas (Scholl & Jerome)...Ronnie Munro & his Orchestra.
Waltzes—Would You (Film 'San Francisco'); My First Love Song (Film 'Queen of Hearts')...Roy Fox & his Orchestra with Vocal Refrain by Denny Dennis.
Fox-Trots—The Moon got in my Eyes (Burke & Johnston) (Film 'Double or Nothing'); It's the Natural Thing to Do...Roy Fox & his Orchestra with Vocal Refrain by Denny Dennis.
Fox-Trots—Can I Forget You; The Folks who Live on the Hill (Hammerstein & Kern) (Film 'High, Wide & Handsome')...Roy Fox & his Orchestra.
Rumba Fox-Trot—Cuban Pete (Jose Norman); Slow Waltz—At the Close of a Long, Long Day (Moll & Marvin)...Joe Loss & his Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Fox-Trots—All Through the Night; You're the Top (Cole Porter) (From 'Anything Goes')...Ambrose & his Orchestra.
12.00 midnight.—CLOSE DOWN.



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East, Dealer
North-South vulnerable

♠ 4
 ♥ K Q 9 2
 ♦ 9 6
 ♣ 10 9 8 7 4 2
 ♠ A 10 9 8
 ♥ J 10 8
 ♦ A
 ♣ J 6 5 3
 ♠ K Q 6 5
 ♥ A 8 4
 ♦ J 7 5 2
 ♣ A K

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣
3♦	2NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3NT	Dbl.	Pass
Pass	Pass		

South's three-notrump bid represented considerable optimism since his second-round bid of two-notrump over East's two diamonds had already shown great strength. Nevertheless his partner signed off at three clubs.

When West doubled, North, with his horrible hand, was to four clubs, but decided: "After all, my partner dug this grave. Let him work his way out." However, the way the cards lay, there was no defence against four

notrump. West opened the Ace of diamonds and then shifted to the ten of spades. South won with the King, played the Ace-King of clubs, then over to dummy with the Queen of hearts and led the ten of clubs. West won with the Jack and now, since he saw there was no further hope, simply cashed his Ace of spades and held Declarer to four-odd.

Yesterday, as Oswald Jacoby's partner, you held:

♠ A K x x x
 ♥ Q x x
 ♦ A x
 ♣ x x

The bidding:

Schenken	Jacoby	Maier	You
1♦	1♥	Pass	(?)

ANSWER: Your correct bid is two spades. This bid is forcing to game, and eventually will offer your partner a choice between spades and hearts.

Score 100% for two spades, 40% for one spade or for three hearts, 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 261

To-day you are Merwin Maier's partner and hold:

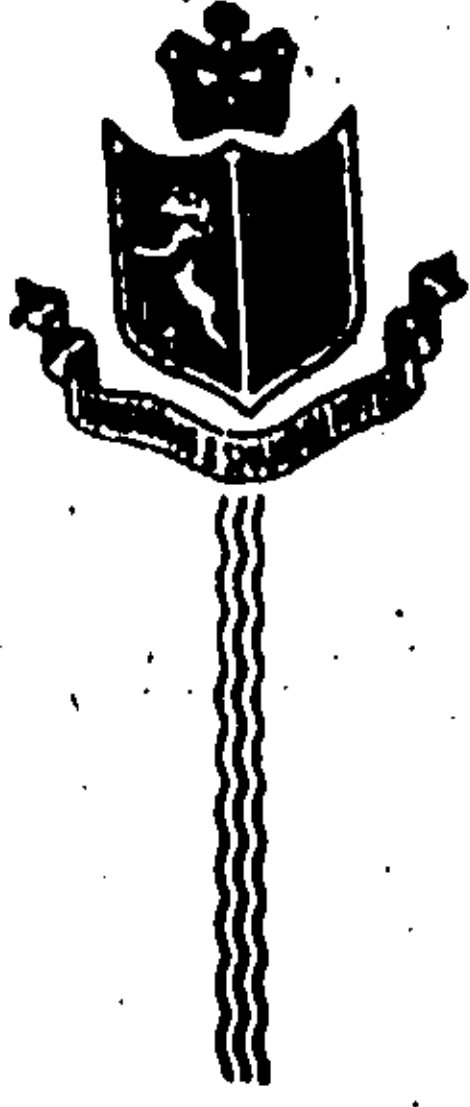
♠ x x x
 ♥ A Q x x
 ♦ K 10 x
 ♣ A x x

The bidding:

Maier	Schenken	You	Burnstone
1♥	Pass	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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Two Rugby games are down for decision to-day at Causeway Bay: Navy "A" v Army "A" at 3 p.m. Club & Army v Navy & Police at 4.15 p.m.

Club and Army should win, though their team could have been strengthened by the inclusion of Pinkerton and Waite. Police and Navy have a very useful threequarter line, but Carter and Clark would have been a better choice for the halves.

The following are the teams: Club and Army:—Sgt. Lang (Army); D. H. Stewart (Club); J. C. Charter (Club); H. D. Bidwell (Club) and Gnr. Richards (Army); F. A. Cessford (Club) and J. Henderson (Club); 2nd Lieut. Cuthbertson (Army); R. C. Castleton (Club); A. F. Walkden (Club); C. F. Needham (Club); Capt. Duke (Army); G. C. Godfrey (Club); Lieut. Ridsdale (Army) and A. J. G. Taylor (Club).

Police and Navy:—Wall (Police); Surg. Lt. Cochran (Navy); Lt. Carter (Navy); Tel. Paul (Navy) and D. H. Taylor (Police); B. C. Fay (Police) and E. C. Luscombe (Police); Ldg. Sig. Inglis (Navy); Flt. Lt. Taylor (Navy); Lt. (E) Brown (Navy); R. J. Cullinan (Police); Dempsey (Police); Lt. Johns (Navy); Lt. Bayley (Navy) and H. W. E. Heath (Police).

Army "A":—L/C Pickton; Sig. Willis; L/C Waite; L/C Boe and Bomdr. Marsh; Lieut. G. W. Hook; L/C Smith; Pte. Berry; Lieut. A. G. Hewitt; L/C Apperley; Gnr. Cook; Gnr. Whitehead; Sergt. Page; Cpl. Brinkley and Sergt. Burrell. Reserves: L/Bomdr. Evans, Sapper Martin and Gnr. Easterbrook.

Navy "A":—Lieut. Bax (Scout); Surg. Lieut. Corcoran (Tamar); Flight Lieut. Wright (R.A.F.); Surg. Lieut. Kirkwood (Durban) and Sub-Lieut. Kennedy (M.T.B.'s); Lieut.-Cdr. Clark (M.T.B.'s) and Tel. Hall (M.T.B.'s); L.S.A. Palmer (Thracian); Ldg. Wtr. Barlow (Tamar); A.B. Gallagher (Durban); L.S.A. Yandell (Lowestoft); Ldg. Wtr. Ferris (Tamar); P.O. King (Tamar); Pay. Lieut. Charles (C-in-C's Office) and P.O. Kewell (Durban). Reserves: L.S. Spirit (M.T.B.'s); Cpl. Marron (Tamar); Tel. Bowden (Thracian) and L.S. Catchside (Bideford).

RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

RACE NO. 1
CONFUSION BAY
KING'S WARDEN
HUMDRUM EVE
Outsider:—Lilliber.

RACE NO. 2
STRATHBANNOCK
ESTOVER
GUINNESS TIME
Outsider:—Double Chance

RACE NO. 3
NAVYLIGHT
EVE OF HARVEST
HECTIC VIEW
Outsider:—Galaxy

RACE NO. 4
MATADOR
WILBER
PHOENIX
Outsider:—Jack O'Lantern

RACE NO. 5
BOQLAT BAY
ROSE-QUEEN
TAKING MASTER
Outsider:—Advancing Time

RACE NO. 6
COURTING EVE
LANCASHIRE CHIPS
CRIFFEL

Outsider:—Happy Landings
RACE NO. 7
SUNLIGHT VIEW
LAUGHING GIRL
ROYAL HIGHNESS
Outsider:—Soldier of China

RACE NO. 8
BRUTUS
ROOFLY
VIOLET QUEEN
Outsider:—A Roaring Time
DAILY DOUBLE: BOQLAT BAY
AND SUNLIGHT VIEW.

Two Positional Changes Being Made

PEARSON RETURNS TO FOOTBALL

Camp has again curtailed the week-end's soccer programme and this week two first Division games have had to be postponed, though a full programme is being maintained in the Junior Divisions.

The outstanding game this afternoon will be at Sookunpoo, where Middlesex meet South China "A".

Middlesex, after a promising start this season, seem to have fallen into a rut and have lost their last three games in a row. This week, however, Pearson, their former leader, returns to the attack in place of Thomas and this should strengthen the side, while Thomas, may be seen on the left-wing in place of Marable. Drake will be in goal instead of Jackson.

South China are fielding their regular side and should win without difficulty.

POLICE WITHOUT MOSS

At Caroline Hill, Police should collect both points from the improved Saints' team. The former will be without Moss; their left-winger, who is on the injured list, and Kong Hing will be in his position. Johnston, their former star centre-forward, will lead the attack in place of Fan Kwai-tsoi, who will be seen in the Second Division.

At Boundary Street, Kwong Wah entertain Royal Scots and will have to be at their best to win. Wong King-cheong returns to the Chinese side, and with Cheuk Shek-kam in the inside position he should do well.

Royal Scots have a team that can last the whole match and, with Hosack on his present form, are quite liable to upset Kwong Wah.

UNBEATEN RECORD

A very important Third Division game will be played at Sookunpoo, where Royal Scots meet South China. Both teams are in the running for the

C.B.A. HAVE YOUNG AND PROMISING TEAM

THE LOCAL Ladies' Hockey League season will officially start this afternoon when one game in each division will be played.

"Y" Ladies, champions, are meeting Central British Association Ladies at King's Park to-day at 3 p.m. and though they have lost several of last year's championship team they have been fortunate in securing talented players to take their places.

With two exceptions, moving Mrs. Stone from the half-back line to full-back, and Miss M. McCaw from pivot to right-half, "Y" have kept all last year's players in the same positions as they played last season.

The following are the week-end football fixtures:—

TO-DAY	
First Division	
Middlesex	v S. China "A"
(Sookunpoo at 2.45 p.m.)	
St. Joseph's	v Police
(Caroline Hill at 4.15 p.m.)	
Kwong Wah	v R. Scots
(Boundary Road at 4.15 p.m.)	
Second Division "A"	
Kit Che	v R.A.O.C.
(St. Joseph's at 4.15 p.m.)	
8th R.A.	v South China
(Stanley at 4.15 p.m.)	
Club	v 5th R.A.
(Club at 2.45 p.m.)	
Eastern	v 30th R.A.
(St. Joseph's at 2.45 p.m.)	
Second Division "B"	
Kwong Wah	v Engineers
(Chatham Road at 4.15 p.m.)	
R.A.F.	v R. Scots
(Kowloon at 2.45 p.m.)	
Police	v Signals
(Boundary Road at 2.45 p.m.)	
Third Division	
12th R.A.	v R.A.S.C.
(Stanley at 2.45 p.m.)	
Engineers	v 5th R.A.
(Military at 4.15 p.m.)	
R. Scots	v South China
(Sookunpoo at 4.15 p.m.)	
R.A.M.C.	v Electric
(Caroline Hill at 2.45 p.m.)	
24th R.A.	v International
(Military at 2.45 p.m.)	
TO-MORROW	
Governor's Cup Match	
H.K.F.A.	v C.A.A.F.
(Causeway Bay at 3.30 p.m.)	
Third Division	
Kumaons	v Signals
(Chatham Road at 2.45 p.m.)	

With two exceptions, moving Mrs. Stone from the half-back line to full-back, and Miss M. McCaw from pivot to right-half, "Y" have kept all last year's players in the same positions as they played last season.

Though they will miss Miss M. Smith they have in Mrs. Gardner, former Interporter, a useful substitute, while Miss H. Bockler is playing on the left-wing in place of Mrs. Westcott-Pilgrim.

Mrs. Starbuck, after an absence from the game, will be seen at centre-half with Miss M. McCaw, erstwhile pivot, on her right.

Miss Pocock, who would probably have filled the pivotal position, is on the injured list and will not be available for some time.

Central British Association are looking forward to this game with a certain amount of confidence. True, they have not the same experienced team as their opponents but they have a side which should improve with each game.

Mrs. Wilmot, formerly of the 'Seaforths' Ladies, will be seen at back, partnering Miss Parsons.

Miss Laihovetsky is a fast forward on the right wing and will be assisted by Mrs. Quick, who in recent practice games has displayed good ball control and speed. Miss D. Moss, former goalkeeper, is playing centre-forward, a move that will be watched with interest.

The junior teams of the same clubs meet on the "Y" ground at 3 p.m.

The following are the teams:—

CAER CLARK CUP

"Y" Ladies:—Miss C. Minnot; Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Strange; Miss M. McCaw, Mrs. Starbuck and Miss Stokes, Mrs. O. Burnett, Miss B. Harker, Miss D. McCaw, Mrs. S. Gardner and Miss H. Bockler.
C.B.A. Ladies:—M. Ramsay; M. Wilmot and B. Parsons; A. Smith, I. Woolley and A. Smith; E. Laihovetsky, M. Quick, D. Moss, P. Whitley and P. Baxter.

BROWN CUP

"Y" Ladies:—Mrs. Harrington; Mrs. Trimmer and Mrs. Grieve; Miss Dunne, Mrs. Ashman and Mrs. Macklin; Mrs. Bicknell, Miss Russell, Miss Bradbury, Miss Buchanan and Miss O. Pocock.
C.B.A. Ladies:—P. MacFayden; V. Beaumont and M. Mackay; B. Sullivan, J. Felslow and B. Louis; E. Hunt, F. Grimmit, E. Woolley, R. Stalker and I. Cunningham.
The following are other hockey matches to be played to-day:

FRIENDLY

C.B.S. v H.K. Ladies
(C.B.S. ground. 3.15 p.m.)

MEN'S

Y.M.C.A. v Kumaon Rifles
(Y ground, 4.15 p.m.)
Y.M.C.A. 2nd XI v R.A.S.C.
(Chatham Road, 4.15 p.m.)

The following will represent Y.M.C.A.:
Seniors:—V. M. Benwell; B. Jordan and E. Youliff; J. Kempton, R. A. Bates and A. F. Austen; L. Coombe, C. Waldron, J. Bartlett, M. Dunne and D. Taylor.
Juniors:—C. Cleggitt; F. Ashford and H. Perry; H. Smith, J. Tomlinson and A. Rix; A. Mackenzie, R. Dormer (Capt.), D. Sparr, J. Greenberg and C. Roan. Umpire, R. Banks.

POSTPONED MATCHES

The following football matches arranged for to-day have been postponed.

First Division.—Kowloon v. South China "B"; Eastern v. Club, Second Division.—University v. Kowloon.

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'VARSITY APPLY FOR PROMOTION

Owing to Volunteer camp, few friendly cricket matches have been arranged for this afternoon.

A good game should, however, be seen at Sookunpoo, where an Indian Recreation Club team entertain University, who, it is understood, are again applying for admission to the First Division of the Cricket League now that Navy have dropped out.

The following is to-day's cricket programme:—

Indian R.C. v University.
Club de Recreio 2nd XI v Central British School.
Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI v Diocesan Boys' School.

FOUR WINS FOR MOLLER STABLE

Shanghai, November 5.—The Moller stable started off the Autumn Meeting by securing four wins out of a card of nine events. Joylight had no trouble from the entrants in the Shanghai St. Leger. He led from start to finish making his own pace. The betting on Joylight was something remarkable. The dividend on Joylight was \$5 on a \$5 ticket for the win part-mutuel. It, however, managed to pay twenty

TSUI PLAYS FOR POLICE

Police Sports Board were beaten 6½ sets to 2½ sets by a team from South China A.A. in a friendly tennis match played yesterday afternoon at Boundary Street.

Tsui Wai-pui, Colony champion, making his first appearance as a member of the Police tennis team, partnered B. C. Fay to win two sets and to draw one.

Tsui Wai-pui and B. C. Fay (P.S.B.) drew with F. N. Wong and K. F. Liu... 6-6
beat Lam Kwan and C. L. Lau... 6-2
beat Albert Chan and James Hsu... 6-0
C. Pile and S. Smith (P.S.B.) lost to Albert Chan and James Hsu... 2-6
lost to F. N. Wong and K. F. Liu... 2-6
lost to Lam Kwan and C. L. Lau... 3-6
D. Brown and Si Wai-ming (P.S.B.) lost to Lam Kwan and C. L. Lau... 4-6
lost to Albert Chan and James Hsu... 3-6
lost to F. N. Wong and K. F. Liu... 2-6

HARE NOT FOR EAST

Manila, Nov. 9.—Charles Hare, British Davis Cup player who was to come here for a series of tennis matches against the leading Filipino players, has been forced to cancel the trip, the Philippines Amateur Athletic Federation announced to-day.

cents more for a place ticket! Dainty-light and Frosty-light were the other winners.

SPORTS PARADE

CLUB RUGBY will lose a valuable member shortly when Andy Peers, Club vice-captain and one who has as fine a local Rugby record as anyone who has played here, leaves on transfer to Singapore.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION must be gratified with the co-operation of clubs in carrying on, as far as possible, with their fixtures when some of their players are on Volunteer duty.

Volunteer camps have been going on for two week-ends, but fewer games have been postponed than anticipated.

HONG KONG Football Referees' Association are holding their Annual Meeting on Monday, November 27. An appeal is made to all newly arrived referees to join the Association.

B. GOSANO, Recreio all-rounder, who is at present in Swatow, is to be transferred to the Colony at the end of the month.

RIDLEY, of the Navy, who was earmarked for the wing-half position in the Interport team against Manila last year, has returned to the Colony and will probably be playing next week.

ROUGHLY'S WIN

P. O. Tel Wilkins was defeated by Tel. Roughly, who now meets O Hanlon in the semi-final, in the Third Round of the Stonecutters Billiards Championship last night. P. O. Tel. Macey officiated, and the arrangements were a credit to A. H. Ying who has worked hard to make this competition a success.

The trophy is donated by members of the W/T station whilst the most coveted prize is a cue presented by C.P.O.S. Sandles to the competitor who makes the highest break.

GUNNERS' POLO WIN

In a friendly polo game at Boundary Road yesterday Hong Kong Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery, receiving a handicap of two goals, beat Royal Scots by 5 goals to 2. Wilson, (2) and Penfold scored for the Gunners and Burn and Gilbertson for Royal Scots.

POLICE HOLD SIGNALS

At Boundary Street yesterday Police, who were without the services of a left-half throughout, did well to draw with Royal Signals, sharing two goals after a goalless first half.

Midway through the second half Narwant Singh opened the scoring for Police, but Sgt. Whitefield equalised.

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The Undersigned have received instructions from the Liquidators to sell by Public Auction on Monday, the 20th. Nov., 1939 commencing at 10.00 a.m.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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GERMAN FREEDOM STATION'S NEAR SHAVE

London, To-day.
The Deutsche Freiheit ("German Freedom") wireless station was forced into hiding on Thursday, when the Gestapo almost closed in on it. A broadcast had to be stopped before it was finished.

It is still active, however, and the announcer reports that friends warned them at almost the last moment and they had to "burrow" their way out. They managed to save all their equipment from the Gestapo.

The announcer said that they had friends everywhere who warned them of the activities of the Gestapo and they moved the transmitter after each broadcast.—Reuter.

GERMAN AGENTS IN THE AZORES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.
Press reports state that a number of German agents are at present in the Azores Islands upon the personal instructions of Grand Admiral Raeder who, it is believed, is coveting the Azores as a future base for attacks against British shipping. — Havas.

NAZIS TAKE DRASTIC ACTION

Prague, To-day.

Nazi Storm Troopers and Police have taken action against Czech students.

At 2 a.m. yesterday, they occupied the Czech University and High School and took away 1,200 students in buses.

Eight hours later, 5,000 Nazi reinforcements, including armoured cars and machine-guns, arrived.

All this is "in retaliation" for the demonstrations earlier this week, when Czech students gathered at the tomb of the Unknown Warrior, shouting "Freedom!" and singing their own Czech songs.—Reuter.

MULTIPLYING EVIDENCE

New York, To-day.

The "New York Times" says that the multiplying evidence of open defiance in Germany means either that the Czech rebellion is strengthening and hardening or that German authority is weakening.

The paper says that the Reich has incorporated within itself the seeds of destruction. — Reuter.

LOCAL ACTIVITY ON THE WAR FRONT

Paris, To-day.

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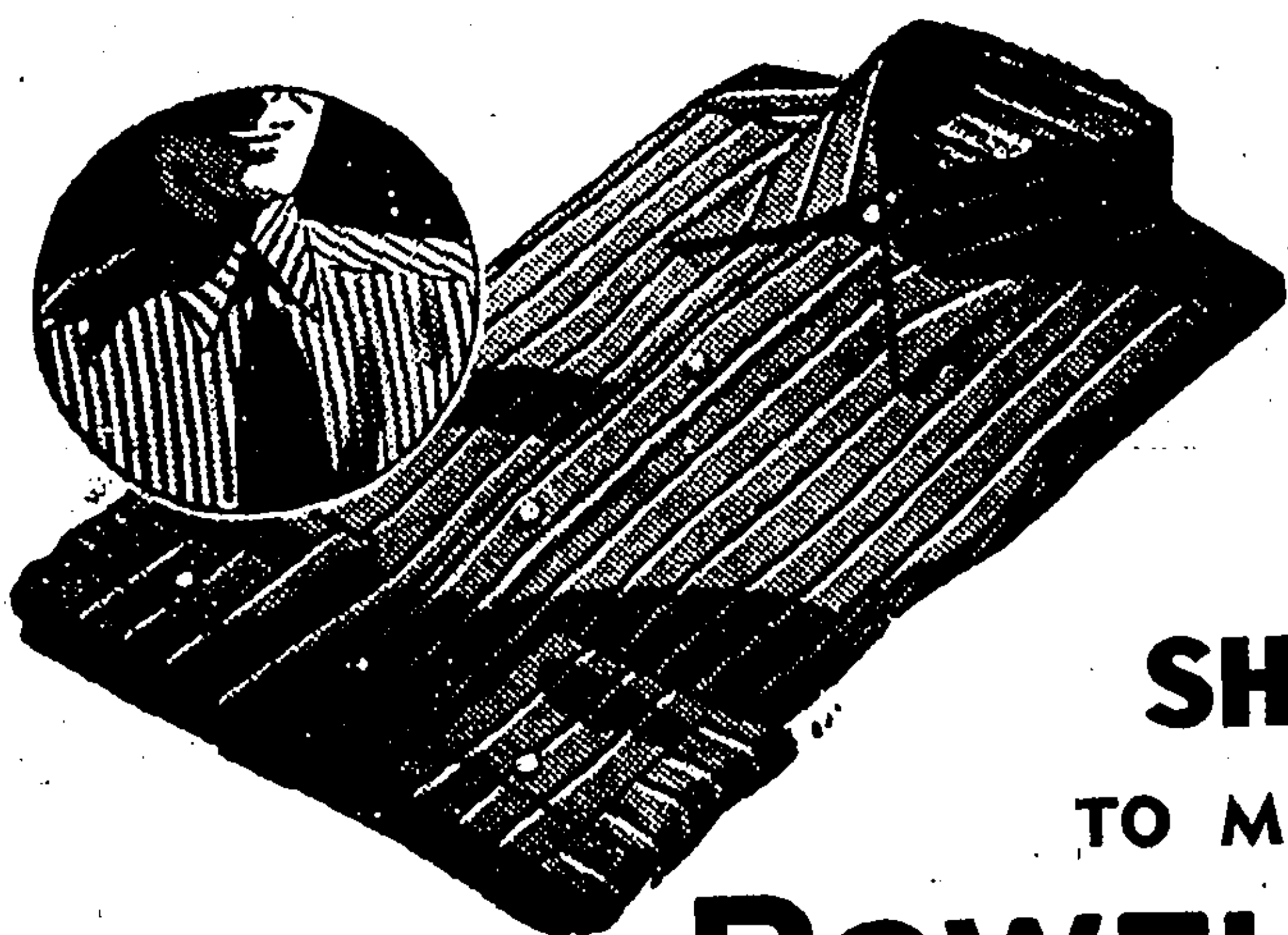
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Copenhagen, To-day.

It is reported here that King Leopold of Belgium and Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands have enquired of the Kings of Norway, Sweden and Denmark if they are prepared to collaborate in the formulation of peace proposals.

The enquiry is said to have been made through the diplomatic representatives of the three countries at Brussels and The Hague.—Reuter.

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